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## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The Committee on Agriculture recommends the following pass: SB 852

The Committee on Budget Subcommittee on Education Pre-K - 12 Appropriations recommends the following pass: SB 366

The Committee on Budget Subcommittee on General Government Appropriations recommends the following pass: SB 792

The Committee on Budget Subcommittee on Higher Education Appropriations recommends the following pass: SB 94; CS for SB 198

The Committee on Community Affairs recommends the following pass: CS for SB 450; SB 800

The Committee on Criminal Justice recommends the following pass: SB 80; SB 638

The Committee on Health Regulation recommends the following pass: SB 342 with 1 amendment

The Committee on Higher Education recommends the following pass: SB 532

The Committee on Judiciary recommends the following pass: SB 378; SB 486; CS for SB 504

**The bills contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Committee on Budget under the original reference.**

The Committee on Community Affairs recommends the following pass: SB 640

**The bill was referred to the Committee on Communications, Energy, and Public Utilities under the original reference.**

The Committee on Health Regulation recommends the following pass: SB 480

**The bill was referred to the Committee on Community Affairs under the original reference.**

The Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs recommends the following pass: SB 722

The Committee on Communications, Energy, and Public Utilities recommends the following pass: SB 844

The Committee on Health Regulation recommends the following pass: SB 584; SB 616; SB 830

The Committee on Higher Education recommends the following pass: SB 832

**The bills contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability under the original reference.**

The Committee on Criminal Justice recommends the following pass: SB 278

**The bill was referred to the Committee on Health Regulation under the original reference.**

The Committee on Criminal Justice recommends the following pass: SB 858

**The bill was referred to the Committee on Judiciary under the original reference.**

The Committee on Communications, Energy, and Public Utilities recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 416

The Committee on Criminal Justice recommends a committee substitute for the following: CS for SB 208

The Committee on Health Regulation recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 376; SB 478; SB 510

The Committee on Regulated Industries recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 710

**The bills with committee substitute attached contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Committee on Budget under the original reference.**

The Committee on Community Affairs recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 734

**The bill with committee substitute attached was referred to the Committee on Commerce and Tourism under the original reference.**

The Committee on Environmental Preservation and Conservation recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 738; SB 758

**The bills with committee substitute attached were referred to the Committee on Community Affairs under the original reference.**

The Committee on Military Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 922

**The bill with committee substitute attached was referred to the Committee on Criminal Justice under the original reference.**

The Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 682

The Committee on Community Affairs recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 698

The Committee on Higher Education recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 754

**The bills with committee substitute attached contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability under the original reference.**

The Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 694

The Committee on Environmental Preservation and Conservation recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 820

**The bills with committee substitute attached contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Committee on Health Regulation under the original reference.**

The Committee on Criminal Justice recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 210

**The bill with committee substitute attached was referred to the Committee on Judiciary under the original reference.**

The Committee on Judiciary recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 98

The Committee on Rules Subcommittee on Ethics and Elections recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 206

**The bills with committee substitute attached contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Committee on Rules under the original reference.**

The Committee on Communications, Energy, and Public Utilities recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 396

The Committee on Community Affairs recommends committee substitutes for the following: CS for SB 406; SB 452; SB 514; SB 692

The Committee on Reapportionment recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 1174; SJR 1176

**The bills with committee substitute attached were placed on the Calendar.**

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES RELATING TO EXECUTIVE BUSINESS

The Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs recommends that the Senate confirm the following appointments made by the Governor:

### *Office and Appointment*

*For Term Ending*

Director, Agency for Persons with Disabilities

Appointee: Hansen, Michael P.

Pleasure of Governor

Secretary of Elderly Affairs

Appointee: Corley, Charles Thomas

Pleasure of Governor

The Committee on Criminal Justice recommends that the Senate confirm the following appointments made by the Governor:

### *Office and Appointment*

Secretary of Corrections

Appointee: Tucker, Kenneth S.

*For Term Ending*

Pleasure of Governor

Criminal Conflict and Civil Regional Counsel - First District Court of Appeal

Appointee: Lewis, Esquire, Jeffrey E.

07/01/2015

**The appointments were referred to the Rules Subcommittee on Ethics and Elections under the original reference.**

## INTRODUCTION AND REFERENCE OF BILLS

### FIRST READING

By Senator Montford—

**SB 1228**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the practice of physical therapy; creating ss. 486.086 and 486.1081, F.S.; requiring the Board of Physical Therapy Practice within the Department of Health to issue a temporary permit authorizing a person to practice as a physical therapist or physical therapist assistant under certain conditions; providing when a temporary permit becomes void; authorizing a person to continue to practice as a physical therapist or physical therapist assistant until the person is issued a license by the board; prohibiting the board from renewing a temporary permit to practice as a physical therapist or physical therapist assistant; requiring that a person who has a current temporary permit to practice as a physical therapist or physical therapist assistant receive direct supervision at all times from a physical therapist; providing duties and requirements for the supervising physical therapist; prohibiting the supervising physical therapist from supervising more than one physical therapist or physical therapist assistant; providing a definition; prohibiting a person who submits an application for a temporary permit from working as a physical therapist or physical therapist assistant until the board issues a temporary permit to the person; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Regulation; and Budget.

By the Committee on Banking and Insurance—

**SB 1230**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a review under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; amending s. 624.23, F.S., relating to a public records exemption for certain records from consumer complaints and inquiries regarding matters or activities regulated under the Florida Insurance Code or Workers' Compensation Employee Assistance and Ombudsman Office; saving the exemption from repeal under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; deleting a provision providing for the repeal of the exemption; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; and Governmental Oversight and Accountability.

By the Committee on Banking and Insurance—

**SB 1232**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a review under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; amending s. 324.242, F.S., relating to a public records exemption for personal identifying information and policy numbers in personal injury protection and property damage liability insurance policies; saving the exemption from repeal under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; deleting a provision providing for the repeal of the exemption; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; and Governmental Oversight and Accountability.

By Senator Margolis—

**SB 1234**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to ownership of state lands; transferring certain state property lying within the City of West Park, Broward County, to be used by the city for the purposes of open space and public recreation needs; declaring such use a public purpose; providing for reversion of the property to the state if used for any other purpose; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Community Affairs; and Budget.

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By Senator Hays—

**SB 1236**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to liens for ginning cotton; repealing s. 713.595, F.S., relating to liens for labor or services in ginning cotton; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Agriculture; and Budget.

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By Senator Hays—

**SB 1238**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to low-speed vehicles; amending s. 319.14, F.S.; authorizing the conversion of a vehicle titled or branded and registered as a low-speed vehicle to a golf cart; providing procedures; providing for a fee; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; and Budget.

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By Senator Hays—

**SB 1240**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to freshwater rivers and lakes; amending s. 403.813, F.S.; exempting from permit requirements certain projects that provide for removal of detrital material from certain freshwater rivers or lakes if a governmental agency sponsors or participates in the project and certain additional conditions are met; requiring that the district office of the Department of Environmental Protection be notified before work commences; providing for information that must be given in the notice; requiring that the department receive written certification of compliance; prohibiting the department from charging a fee for detrital material that is removed; authorizing the use of sovereignty submerged lands for the purposes authorized by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; and Budget.

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By Senator Hays—

**SB 1242**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to broadband Internet service; amending s. 364.0135, F.S.; adding to the legislative findings that the sustainable adoption of broadband Internet service is critical to community development; designating the Department of Economic Opportunity rather than the Department of Management Services as the agency to receive and manage all federal broadband initiative funds for the state; requiring the Department of Economic Opportunity to establish a public-private partnership to work with certain private and governmental organizations to oversee broadband development; revising the oversight criteria; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Communications, Energy, and Public Utilities; Commerce and Tourism; and Budget.

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By Senators Hays and Storms—

**SB 1244**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to water and wastewater utilities; amending s. 367.081, F.S.; prohibiting the Public Service Commission from approving tiered rates that are based upon consumption by the customer; requiring the commission to find a utility's rate case expense unreasonable if the utility's quality of service is marginal or unsatisfactory; providing an exception; amending s. 367.0816, F.S.; limiting the amount that certain utilities may recover as

rate case expense to 50 percent of the total amount; limiting the recovery of rate case expense to one case at a time; amending s. 367.111, F.S.; requiring that systems be designed and operated to meet certain standards; requiring the commission to establish specific criteria for the evaluation of water and wastewater service; providing guidelines; requiring the commission to impose certain financial penalties against a utility that fails to meet the criteria; providing for calculating the penalty; limiting the application of the standards to water and wastewater utilities that have \$1 million or more of annual operating revenues; authorizing the commission to adopt rules; amending s. 367.165, F.S.; providing for the continuation of service if a utility's certificate of authority is revoked or suspended; requiring the commission to notify the county or counties in which a utility is located that its certificate of authority is revoked or suspended; requiring the county or counties to assume operation and control; providing that any rate structure of a water or wastewater utility which increases the rate based upon increased consumption by the customer is void and of no effect; creating the Study Committee on Investor-Owned Water and Wastewater Utility Systems; providing for membership and terms of service; prohibiting compensation of the members; providing for reimbursement of the members for certain expenses; providing for removal or suspension of members by the appointing authority; requiring the Public Service Commission to provide staff, information, assistance, and facilities that are deemed necessary for the committee to perform its duties; providing for funding from the Florida Public Service Regulatory Trust Fund; providing duties for the committee; providing for public meetings; requiring the committee to report to the Governor and Legislature its findings and make recommendation for legislative changes; providing for future termination of the committee; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Communications, Energy, and Public Utilities; Environmental Preservation and Conservation; and Budget.

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**SB 1246**—Withdrawn prior to introduction.

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By Senator Hays—

**SB 1248**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the nonrenewal of insurance; amending s. 626.9201, F.S.; providing specified exemptions from the requirement that an insurer provide notification of nonrenewal to an insured; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Budget; and Rules.

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By Senator Hays—

**SB 1250**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the trading of water quality credits; amending s. 403.067, F.S.; providing that state policy is to encourage a water quality credit trading program through public-private partnerships; expanding an existing water quality credit trading pilot program in the Lower St. Johns River Basin to include the Caloosahatchee, St. Lucie, and Lake Okeechobee Basins; requiring the South Florida Water Management District to define the basins; requiring that the water management district coordinate with the Department of Environmental Protection to establish public-private partnerships for the development of water quality enhancement projects and trading programs in the designated basins; removing references to the Lower St. Johns River Basin pilot project; requiring the department to amend its rules; deleting a reporting requirement relating to the effectiveness of the Lower St. Johns River Basin pilot project; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; and Budget.

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By Senator Jones—

**SB 1252**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to business and professional regulation; amending s. 20.165, F.S.; expanding divisions of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to include the Florida State Boxing Commission; assigning certain programs to the department's Division of Regulation; amending s. 455.01, F.S.; revising

the definition of the term “profession” to include the regulatory purview of the Florida State Boxing Commission; amending s. 455.213, F.S.; waiving initial licensing, application, and unlicensed activity fees for certain military veterans; amending s. 455.2179, F.S.; revising continuing education provider and course approval procedures; amending s. 455.271, F.S.; limiting to the department the authority to reinstate a license that has become void under certain circumstances; amending s. 455.273, F.S.; revising the method of license renewal notification or notice of pending cancellation of licensure to include an e-mail address; deleting a requirement that a licensure renewal notification and a notice of cancellation of licensure include certain information regarding the applicant; amending s. 455.275, F.S.; revising a provision relating to maintenance of current address-of-record information to include e-mail address; revising a provision relating to notice to a licensee to allow service of process by e-mail; amending s. 475.451, F.S.; authorizing distance learning courses as an acceptable alternative to classroom instruction for renewal of a real estate instructor permit; providing that distance learning courses are under the discretion of the school offering the real estate course; requiring distance learning courses to adhere to certain requirements; amending s. 475.611, F.S.; revising the definition of the terms “appraisal management company” and “appraisal management services”; amending s. 475.6171, F.S.; revising requirements for the issuance of registration or certification upon receipt of proper documentation; amending s. 475.6235, F.S.; revising provisions relating to titles an appraisal management company must be registered to use; providing exemptions from registration requirements; amending s. 475.6245, F.S.; providing additional grounds for discipline of appraisal management companies, to which penalties apply; amending s. 476.188, F.S.; revising the list of locations for the performance of barber services not in a registered barbershop; amending s. 477.0135, F.S.; exempting from cosmetology licensure individuals who perform makeup services to the general public; amending s. 477.019, F.S.; revising procedures for cosmetology licensure by endorsement to authorize work experience as a substitute for educational hours; amending s. 477.0263, F.S.; authorizing the performance of cosmetology and specialty services in a location other than a licensed salon under certain circumstances; reenacting and amending s. 489.118, F.S.; reviving grandfathering provisions and establishing a new deadline for applications for certification of certain registered contractors; amending s. 548.006, F.S.; expanding the power of the Florida State Boxing Commission to control pugilistic contests and exhibitions to include exclusive jurisdiction over the approval of amateur sanctioning organizations for mixed martial arts; amending s. 548.0065, F.S.; requiring an amateur sanctioning organizations to file with the commission advanced notice regarding location, date, and time of certain matches; amending s. 548.008, F.S.; revising the penalty for participating in a prohibited match; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Criminal Justice; and Budget.

By Senator Siplin—

**SB 1254**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; amending s. 20.14, F.S.; establishing the Division of Food, Nutrition, and Wellness within the department; amending s. 253.002, F.S.; requiring the department to perform certain staff duties and functions for the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund related to conservation easements; amending s. 379.2523, F.S.; deleting references to the Aquaculture Interagency Coordinating Council to conform to the repeal by the act of provisions creating the council; amending s. 379.2524, F.S.; deleting provisions that prohibit compensation and authorize per diem and travel expenses for members of the Sturgeon Production Working Group; amending s. 388.161, F.S.; revising the substances that mosquito control districts are authorized to use for controlling mosquito breeding; amending s. 388.201, F.S.; revising the date by which mosquito control districts must submit their certified budgets for approval by the department; amending s. 388.323, F.S.; revising procedures for a county's or mosquito control district's disposal of certain surplus equipment; repealing s. 388.42, F.S., relating to the John A. Mulrennan, Sr., Arthropod Research Laboratory; amending s. 388.46, F.S.; revising the membership and responsibilities of the Florida Coordinating Council on Mosquito Control; revising the duties of the council's Subcommittee on Managed Marshes; amending s. 493.6104, F.S.; deleting provisions that prohibit compensation and authorize per diem and travel expenses for members of the Private Investigation, Recovery, and Security Advisory Council; amending s.

500.09, F.S.; authorizing the department to adopt rules incorporating by reference the federal model Food Code; amending ss. 500.147 and 502.014, F.S.; deleting provisions for a food safety pilot program and a permitting program for persons who test milk or milk products; amending s. 502.053, F.S.; deleting requirements for milkfat tester licenses; amending s. 570.07, F.S.; authorizing the department to accept and distribute funds to individuals under certain circumstances; amending s. 570.0705, F.S.; prohibiting members of certain advisory bodies from receiving per diem or travel expenses except under certain circumstances; deleting a provision that prohibits members from receiving compensation for their services; repealing s. 570.071, F.S., relating to the Florida Agricultural Exposition and the receipt and expenditure of funds for the exposition; amending s. 570.074, F.S.; renaming and revising the policy jurisdiction of the department's Office of Energy and Water; amending s. 570.18, F.S.; conforming cross-references; repealing s. 570.29, F.S., relating to divisions of the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; repealing s. 570.34, F.S., relating to the Plant Industry Technical Council; creating s. 570.451, F.S.; creating the Agricultural Feed, Seed, and Fertilizer Advisory Council; providing for the council's powers and duties and the appointment of council members; amending ss. 570.53 and 570.54, F.S.; conforming cross-references; amending s. 573.112, F.S.; providing that members of the Citrus Research and Development Foundation's board of directors are entitled to reimbursement for per diem and travel expenses; amending s. 573.118, F.S.; revising requirements for the accounting and review of collections and expenditures from agricultural commodity marketing order assessments; deleting requirements for the audit of such accounts; amending s. 576.045, F.S.; revising the expiration dates of certain provisions regulating fertilizers containing nitrogen or phosphorous; amending s. 576.071, F.S.; deleting a reference to the Fertilizer Technical Council to conform to the repeal by the act of provisions creating the council; repealing ss. 576.091 and 578.30, F.S., relating to the Fertilizer Technical Council and Seed Technical Council; amending s. 580.041, F.S.; revising the reporting requirements and penalties for violations by distributors of commercial feed; amending s. 580.131, F.S.; revising requirements for the assessment of penalties and enforcement of violations by manufacturers and distributors of commercial feed or feedstuff; authorizing the department to assess penalties; requiring registered distributors of commercial feed to pay such penalties to consumers within a specified period; imposing additional penalties for nonpayment; providing for the deposit and use of certain funds paid to the department; repealing s. 580.151, F.S., relating to the Commercial Feed Technical Council; amending s. 581.011, F.S.; conforming provisions; amending s. 581.145, F.S.; revising requirements for the issuance of permits to aquaculture producers for the transport and sale of water hyacinths to other states and countries; amending s. 582.06, F.S.; revising requirements for the composition and appointment of members of the Soil and Water Conservation Council and the reimbursement of members for per diem and travel expenses; amending ss. 582.20 and 582.29, F.S.; revising the geographic jurisdiction of soil and water conservation districts to include certain territory outside of the districts' boundaries; amending s. 582.30, F.S.; revising requirements and procedures for the dissolution or discontinuance of soil and water conservation districts; revising notice requirements for such proposed dissolution or discontinuance; amending s. 582.31, F.S.; revising requirements for payment of the proceeds from the sale of property of a dissolving soil and water conservation district to the State Treasury; repealing s. 585.155, F.S., relating to the inspection and vaccination of cattle for brucellosis; repealing s. 589.03, F.S., relating to the compensation and reimbursement for per diem and travel expenses of members of the Florida Forestry Council; amending s. 589.19, F.S.; renaming the “Wounded Warrior Special Hunt Areas” of the state forests; conforming obsolete references to the former Division of Forestry; amending s. 589.277, F.S.; revising requirements for the deposit of contributions for tree planting programs; conforming obsolete references to the former Division of Forestry; amending s. 590.02, F.S.; specifying that state and local government agencies other than the Florida Forest Service may not enforce regulations of broadcast burning or agricultural and silvicultural pile burning except under certain circumstances; conforming obsolete references to the former Division of Forestry; amending ss. 597.0021 and 597.003, F.S.; deleting references to the Aquaculture Interagency Coordinating Council to conform to the repeal by the act of provisions creating the council; amending s. 597.004, F.S.; authorizing the waiver of aquaculture registration fees for certain schools; amending s. 597.005, F.S.; revising the composition of the Aquaculture Review Council to conform to the repeal by the act of provisions creating the Aquaculture Interagency Coordinating Council; revising the legislative committees to

whom the Aquaculture Review Council must provide analyses of unresolved industry issues; repealing s. 597.006, F.S., relating to the Aquaculture Interagency Coordinating Council; amending s. 616.252, F.S.; providing for the reimbursement of members of the Florida State Fair Authority for per diem and travel expenses; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Agriculture; Environmental Preservation and Conservation; and Budget.

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By the Committee on Budget Subcommittee on Finance and Tax—

**SB 1256**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the administration of property taxes; amending s. 192.001, F.S.; revising the definitions of the terms “assessed value of property” and “complete submission of the rolls”; amending s. 192.0105, F.S.; providing that a taxpayer has a right to have a hearing before the value adjustment board rescheduled if the hearing is not commenced within a certain period after the scheduled time; repealing s. 192.117, F.S., relating to the Property Tax Administration Task Force; amending s. 193.114, F.S.; revising the information that must be included on a real property assessment roll relating to the transfer of ownership of property; defining the term “ownership transfer date”; deleting a requirement to include information relating to a fiduciary on a real property assessment roll; amending s. 193.1554, F.S.; deleting obsolete provisions; providing for the apportionment of increases in the value of combined and divided parcels of nonhomestead residential property; providing for the application of an assessment limitation to a combined or divided parcel of nonhomestead residential property; amending s. 193.1555, F.S.; redefining the term “non-residential real property” to conform a cross-reference to the State Constitution; deleting obsolete provisions; providing for the apportionment of increases in the value of combined and divided parcels of property; providing for the application of an assessment limitation to a combined or divided parcel of property; amending ss. 193.501, 193.503, and 193.505, F.S.; deleting provisions requiring that the tax collector report amounts of deferred tax liability to the Department of Revenue; amending s. 194.032, F.S.; requiring that a hearing before the value adjustment board be rescheduled if the hearing on the petitioner’s petition is not commenced within a certain time after the scheduled time; making technical and grammatical changes; amending s. 194.034, F.S.; deleting an exception to a requirement that a value adjustment board render a written decision relating to the petitioner’s failure to make a required payment; deleting a requirement that the Department of Revenue be notified of decisions by the value adjustment board; requiring that the clerk notify the Department of Revenue of a decision of the value adjustment board or information relating to the tax impact of the decision upon request; making technical and grammatical changes; amending s. 195.096, F.S.; authorizing the measures in the findings resulting from an in-depth review of an assessment roll of a county to be based on a ratio that is generally accepted by professional appraisal organizations in developing a statistically valid sampling plan under certain circumstances; revising the requirements for the Department of Revenue to provide certain information concerning its review of assessment rolls to the Legislature, the appropriate property appraiser, and county commissions; requiring that copies of the review data and findings be provided upon request; repealing s. 195.0985, F.S., relating to a requirement that the department publish annual ratio studies; amending s. 195.099, F.S.; allowing the department discretion in determining whether to review the assessments of certain businesses; amending s. 196.031, F.S.; requiring that ad valorem tax exemptions be applied in the order that results in the lowest taxable value of a homestead; amending s. 196.081, F.S.; authorizing an applicant for an ad valorem tax exemption for a disabled veteran or for a surviving spouse to apply for the exemption before receiving certain documentation from the Federal Government; requiring refunds of excess taxes paid under certain circumstances; amending s. 196.082, F.S.; authorizing an applicant for an ad valorem tax discount available to disabled veterans to apply for the discount before receiving certain documentation from the Federal Government; requiring refunds of excess taxes paid under certain circumstances; amending s. 196.091, F.S.; authorizing an applicant for an ad valorem tax exemption for disabled veterans confined to a wheelchair to apply for the exemption before receiving certain documentation from the Federal Government; requiring refunds of excess taxes paid under certain circumstances; amending s. 196.101, F.S.; authorizing an applicant for an ad valorem tax exemption for totally and permanently disabled persons to apply for the exemption before receiving certain doc-

umentation from the Federal Government; requiring refunds of excess taxes paid under certain circumstances; amending s. 196.121, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Revenue to provide certain forms electronically; deleting a requirement that the department supply printed forms to property appraisers; amending s. 196.202, F.S.; authorizing an applicant for an ad valorem exemption for widows, widowers, blind persons, or persons who are totally and permanently disabled to apply for the exemption before receiving certain documentation from the Federal Government; requiring refunds of excess taxes paid under certain circumstances; amending s. 196.24, F.S.; authorizing an applicant for an ad valorem tax exemption for disabled ex-servicemembers or a surviving spouse to apply for the exemption before receiving certain documentation from the Federal Government; requiring refunds of excess taxes paid under certain circumstances; amending s. 200.065, F.S.; deleting obsolete provisions; revising provisions relating to the calculation of the rolled-back rate; correcting cross-references to certain additional taxes; amending ss. 218.12 and 218.125, F.S.; deleting obsolete provisions; providing for the reversion of funds appropriated to offset reductions in ad valorem tax revenue to a fiscally constrained county if the county fails to apply for a distribution of funds; providing effective dates.

—was referred to the Committees on Budget; and Rules.

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By Senator Benacquisto—

**SB 1258**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to continuing education for athletic trainers and massage therapists; repealing s. 456.034, F.S., relating to the requirement for athletic trainers and massage therapists to complete continuing education on the modes of transmission, infection control procedures, clinical management, and prevention of human immunodeficiency virus and acquired immune deficiency syndrome; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Regulation; and Budget.

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**SR 1260**—Not referenced.

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By Senator Oelrich—

**SB 1262**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to warranty associations; amending s. 634.121, F.S.; providing criteria for a motor vehicle service agreement company to effectuate refunds through the issuing salesperson or agent; requiring the salesperson, agent, or service agreement company to maintain a copy of certain documents; requiring a salesperson or agent to provide a copy of a document to the service agreement company if requested by the Department of Financial Services; requiring the Office of Financial Regulation to provide to the department findings that a salesperson or agent exhibits a pattern or practice of failing to effectuate refunds or to maintain and remit to the service agreement company the required documentation; amending s. 634.141, F.S.; providing an exception to the requirement that motor vehicle service agreement companies undergo periodic examinations; authorizing rather than requiring the Office of Financial Regulation to examine service agreement companies; limiting the examination period to the most recent 5 years; removing the requirement that the Financial Services Commission establish rules for conducting examinations; removing the criteria for determining whether an examination is warranted; creating s. 634.2855, F.S.; authorizing a governmental entity, public agency, institution, person, firm, or legal entity to provide property or money to the Department of Financial Services to pursue unauthorized entities operating as motor vehicle service agreement companies; amending s. 634.312, F.S.; authorizing a home warranty association to effectuate a refund through the issuing sales representative; amending s. 634.314, F.S.; providing an exception to the requirement that home warranty associations undergo periodic examinations; authorizing rather than requiring the Office of Financial Regulation to examine home warranty associations; limiting the examination period to the most recent 5 years; removing the requirement that the Financial Services Commission establish rules for conducting examinations; removing the criteria for determining whether an examination is warranted; creating s. 634.3385, F.S.; authorizing a governmental entity, public agency, institution, person, firm, or legal entity to provide property or money to the Department of Financial Services to pursue unauthorized entities operating as home warranty associations;

amending s. 634.414, F.S.; authorizing service warranty associations to effectuate refunds through the issuing sales representative; authorizing a service warranty association to issue refunds by cash, check, store credit, gift card, or other similar means; amending s. 634.416, F.S.; providing an exception to the requirement that service warranty associations undergo periodic examinations; authorizing rather than requiring the Office of Financial Regulation to examine service warranty associations; limiting the examination period to the most recent 5 years; removing the requirement that the Financial Services Commission establish rules for conducting examinations; removing the criteria for determining whether an examination is warranted; removing provisions relating to the rates charged a to service warranty association for examinations; removing the provision authorizing the Office of Financial Regulation to waive the examination requirement upon receipt and review of the Form 10-K; creating s. 634.4385, F.S.; authorizing a governmental entity, public agency, institution, person, firm, or legal entity to provide property or money to the Department of Financial Services to pursue unauthorized entities operating as service warranty associations; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Commerce and Tourism; and Budget.

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**SB 1264**—Not referenced.

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By Senator Simmons—

**SB 1266**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to actions for foreclosure; amending s. 702.10, F.S.; deleting a restriction on a mortgagee to request a court to order a mortgagor defendant to make payments or to vacate the premises during an action to foreclose on residential real estate; making technical and grammatical changes; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Banking and Insurance; and Budget.

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By Senator Simmons—

**SB 1268**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to actions for damages; repealing s. 768.75, F.S., relating to an optional settlement conference in certain tort actions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Budget; and Rules.

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By Senator Flores—

**SB 1270**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Dan Marino Foundation Florida Vocational College; establishing the Dan Marino Foundation Florida Vocational College in Broward County as a residential postsecondary school for certain students who have developmental disabilities; providing funding for the school through the Department of Education subject to a specific one-time appropriation; providing the school's mission; requiring that the school comply with the laws and rules applicable to state agencies unless otherwise provided by law; requiring that the school provide educational programs and support services; creating a board of trustees; providing membership, terms, and specifying powers and duties of the board; requiring that the board provide for the content and custody of student and employee personnel records; authorizing the board to provide legal services and reimbursement of expenses for officers and employees of the board; requiring that all employees and applicants for employment undergo personnel screening and security background investigations; providing a penalty for failure to disclose certain material facts and for use of confidential information for certain purposes; requiring reporting of on-campus crime statistics; amending s. 1000.04, F.S.; providing that the Dan Marino Foundation Florida Vocational College is a component of the delivery of public education within the Florida College System; amending s. 1001.20, F.S.; authorizing investigations by the Office of Inspector General within the Department of Education; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Higher Education; and Budget.

By Senator Latvala—

**SB 1272**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to possession of a firearm or destructive device during the commission of an offense; amending s. 775.087, F.S.; providing that an exception to the 10-year minimum term for persons convicted of certain offenses during which the person actually possessed a firearm or destructive device does not to apply to offenders convicted for possession of a firearm by a felon who have certain prior convictions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; and Budget.

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By Senator Latvala—

**SB 1274**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the tourist development tax; amending s. 125.0104, F.S.; providing for the proceeds of the tourist development tax to be used for the benefit of certain aquariums; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; and Budget.

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By Senator Latvala—

**SB 1276**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to hiring, leasing, or obtaining personal property or equipment with the intent to defraud; amending s. 812.155, F.S.; providing that in a prosecution for failing to return leased property or equipment within a specified time to the lawful owner, failure to return the property after a demand made by certified mail or courier service creates a rebuttable presumption that the lessee abandoned or refused to return the property to the lessor; providing that notice mailed by certified mail, return receipt requested, or by delivery by courier with tracking capabilities, to the address given by the renter at the time of the rental is sufficient and equivalent to notice having been received by the renter, if the notice is returned undelivered; providing that possession of personal property or equipment by a third party is not a defense for failing to return the personal property or equipment to its lawful owner; providing that a demand for return of overdue property or equipment and for payment of amounts due may be made by courier service with tracking capabilities; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; and Banking and Insurance.

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By Senator Oelrich—

**SB 1278**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to sentencing alternatives; amending s. 921.187, F.S.; authorizing the court to order an offender convicted of an offense of child abuse to pay an assessment of a specified amount if the offender does not receive a state prison sentence; requiring that the assessment be allocated to the child protection team in the judicial circuit in which the alternative sentenced is imposed; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; and Budget.

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By Senator Latvala—

**SB 1280**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Retirement System; amending s. 121.021, F.S.; revising definitions of the terms "normal retirement date" and "vested" or "vesting"; amending s. 121.091, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the early retirement benefit calculation to conform to changes made by the act; amending s. 121.4501, F.S.; requiring new employees to, by default, be enrolled in the investment plan; extending the period during which employees may elect to participate in the pension plan; prohibiting certain employees from choosing to move to the pension plan after a certain period; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Budget.

By Senator Richter—

**SB 1282**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to automated external defibrillators; amending s. 401.2915, F.S.; providing for a person or entity to notify the local public safety answering point regarding the location of the defibrillator in its possession; authorizing public safety telecommunicators to contact owners of defibrillators under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Regulation; Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; and Rules.

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By Senator Fasano—

**SB 1284**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending s. 338.155, F.S.; revising an exemption from public records requirements for personal identifying information provided to, acquired by, or in the possession of the Department of Transportation, a county, or an expressway authority for the purpose of paying, prepaying, or collecting tolls; providing a finding of public necessity; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Budget.

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By Senator Thrasher—

**SB 1286**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to treatment programs for impaired professionals; amending s. 20.165, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to require a person licensed by or applying for a license from the department to be governed by provisions providing programs for impaired practitioners under the jurisdiction of the Division of Medical Quality Assurance within the Department of Health; authorizing the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to exercise any of the powers granted to the Department of Health with respect to such programs; creating s. 401.466, F.S.; providing that an emergency medical technician or paramedic who is certified or has applied to be certified may be subject to a treatment program for impaired practitioners at the election of the impaired practitioner consultant; prohibiting charging the associated costs to the Medical Quality Assurance Trust Fund within the Department of Health; amending s. 456.076, F.S.; exempting an entity retained by the Department of Health as an impaired practitioner consultant from certain licensing requirements if the entity employs or contracts with licensed professionals; revising the schools or programs that may contract for impaired practitioner consulting services; limiting the liability of certain medical schools and schools that prepare health care practitioners and veterinarians for licensure for referring a student to an impaired practitioner consultant; authorizing the Department of Health to refer an applicant for licensure to the consultant; clarifying the types of legal proceedings related to services provided by impaired practitioner consultants which are defended by the Department of Financial Services; clarifying requirements for an impaired practitioner consultant to maintain as confidential certain information concerning an impaired practitioner; authorizing the department and certain other entities to have administrative control over the impaired practitioner consultant to the extent necessary to receive disclosures; creating s. 468.315, F.S.; providing that a radiologic technologist who is certified or who has applied to be certified may be subject to a treatment program for impaired practitioners at the election of an impaired practitioner consultant; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Health Regulation; and Budget.

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By Senator Garcia—

**SB 1288**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to small business growth; amending s. 220.02, F.S.; specifying the order for applying the corporate income tax credit for corporations contracting with small businesses; amending s. 220.13, F.S.; adding the tax credit for corporations contracting with small businesses to the allowable adjustment of federal income; creating s. 220.197, F.S.; providing definitions; authorizing a tax credit of a specified amount for application against the corporate income tax for certain corporations engaging in contractual

business relationships with certain small businesses; specifying eligibility requirements; providing for certification of eligibility by the Department of Economic Opportunity; providing limitations on the amount of the tax credit and prohibiting a corporation from carrying forward or backward any unused amount; authorizing the Department of Economic Opportunity and the Department of Revenue to adopt rules; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; and Budget.

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By Senator Negron—

**SB 1290**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to criminal penalties for violations of securities laws; amending s. 921.0022, F.S.; increasing the offense severity ranking for failing to register securities with the Office of Financial Regulation; specifying the offense severity ranking for the failure of a dealer, associated person, or issuer of securities to register with the Office of Financial Regulation; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Banking and Insurance; and Budget.

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By Senator Bogdanoff—

**SB 1292**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to nursing home facilities; amending s. 400.021, F.S.; revising definitions of the terms “geriatric outpatient clinic” and “resident care plan” and defining the term “therapeutic spa services”; amending s. 400.141, F.S.; revising provisions relating to facilities eligible to share programming and staff; deleting requirements for the submission of certain reports to the Agency for Health Care Administration; creating s. 400.172, F.S.; providing requirements for a nursing home facility operated by a licensee that provides respite care services; providing for rights of persons receiving respite care in nursing home facilities; requiring a prospective respite care recipient to provide certain information to the nursing home facility; amending s. 400.141, F.S.; revising provisions relating to other needed services provided by licensed nursing home facilities, including respite care, adult day, and therapeutic spa services; amending s. 408.0435, F.S.; revising the period of time allotted for approval of the nursing home moratorium on a certificate of need for additional community nursing home beds; amending s. 429.905, F.S.; defining the term “day” for purposes of day care services provided to adults who are not residents; amending s. 651.118, F.S.; providing a funding limitation on sheltered nursing home beds used to provide assisted living, rather than extended congregate care services; authorizing certain sharing of areas, services, and staff between such sheltered beds and nursing home beds in those facilities; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Regulation; Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; and Budget.

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By Senator Garcia—

**SB 1294**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Kidcare program; amending s. 409.814, F.S.; deleting a provision preventing children who do not meet the definition of a qualified alien from participating in the program; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Regulation; and Budget.

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**SR 1296**—Not referenced.

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By Senator Detert—

**SB 1298**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to identification cards and driver licenses; amending s. 322.051, F.S.; providing for a veteran to have a temporary sticker affixed to a state identification card which indicates veteran status; providing for a fee; amending s. 322.14, F.S.; providing for a veteran to have a temporary sticker affixed to a driver license which indicates veteran status; providing for a fee; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Military Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security; Transportation; and Budget.

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By Senators Detert and Fasano—

**SB 1300**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to specialty license plates; amending ss. 320.08056 and 320.08058, F.S.; creating the Big Brothers Big Sisters license plate; establishing an annual use fee for the plate; providing for the distribution of the proceeds received from the sale of the plate; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; and Budget.

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By Senator Fasano—

**SB 1302**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to ice skating rinks; amending s. 381.006, F.S.; requiring the Department of Health to include in its environmental health program the testing of the air in enclosed ice skating rinks; authorizing the department to adopt rules relating to air quality standards, monitoring, testing, recordkeeping, the maintenance and operation of equipment that affects air quality, assessment of fees, enforcement, and penalties; authorizing the department to enter and inspect an enclosed ice skating rink at reasonable hours to determine compliance with applicable air quality statutes or rules; amending s. 381.0061, F.S.; authorizing the department to impose a fine, which may not exceed a specified amount, for a violation of air quality standards for enclosed ice skating rinks; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Regulation; Environmental Preservation and Conservation; and Budget.

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By the Committee on Budget Subcommittee on Finance and Tax—

**SB 1304**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to tax administration; amending s. 212.07, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference to changes made by the act; subjecting a dealer to monetary and criminal penalties for the willful failure to collect certain taxes or fees after notice of the duty to collect the taxes or fees by the Department of Revenue; amending s. 212.12, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to the imposition of criminal penalties after notice by the Department of Revenue of requirements to register as a dealer or to collect taxes; making technical and grammatical changes to provisions specifying penalties for making a false or fraudulent return with the intent to evade payment of a tax or fee; amending s. 212.14, F.S.; defining the term “person”; authorizing the Department of Revenue to adopt rules relating to requirements for a person to deposit cash, a bond, or other security with the department in order to ensure compliance with sales tax laws; making technical and grammatical changes; amending s. 212.18, F.S.; subjecting a person to criminal penalties for willfully failing to register as a dealer after notice of the duty to register by the Department of Revenue; making technical and grammatical changes; amending s. 213.13, F.S.; revising the due date for funds collected by the clerks of court to be transmitted to the Department of Revenue; creating s. 213.295, F.S.; providing definitions; subjecting a person to criminal penalties and monetary penalties for knowingly selling an automated sales suppression device, zipper, or phantom-ware; defining sales suppression devices and phantom-ware as contraband articles under the Florida Contraband Forfeiture Act; amending s. 322.142, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to release photographs or digital images to the Department of Revenue in order to identify individuals for purposes of tax administration; amending s. 443.131, F.S.; imposing a requirement on employers to produce records for the Department of Economic Opportunity or its tax collection service provider as a prerequisite for a reduction in the rate of unemployment tax; amending s. 443.141, F.S.; providing a method to calculate the interest rate for past due contributions and reimbursements, and delinquent, erroneous, incomplete, or insufficient reports; providing for application; providing effective dates.

—was referred to the Committees on Budget; and Rules.

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By Senator Richter—

**SB 1306**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to long-term care insurance; amending s. 627.9404, F.S.; defining the term “guaranteed renewable” for purposes of the Long-Term Care Insurance Act; amending s. 627.9407, F.S.; providing that continuation or renewal of a guaranteed renewable long-term care insurance policy does not result in the making of a new policy or contract or incorporate certain statutory or regulatory changes into the policy or contract; amending ss. 627.9403 and 641.2018, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing editorial changes; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; and Budget.

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By Senator Altman—

**SB 1308**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to commercial mobile radio services; providing a short title; creating s. 501.180, F.S.; defining terms; prohibiting commercial mobile radio service carriers from adding charges to consumer accounts or collecting charges for third-party application providers that have not been expressly authorized by the primary account holders; prohibiting commercial mobile radio service carriers from obtaining a primary account holder's authorization through misleading or deceptive means or from imposing charges, collecting payments, or otherwise profiting from blocking consumer accounts from incurring charges from third-party application providers or receiving, handling, or processing consumer complaints or disputes; specifying procedures for providing notice to consumers of certain disclosures relating to charges for third-party applications, content, services, and other things and for obtaining the primary account holder's authorization of the charges; requiring commercial mobile radio service carriers to maintain certain documentation; providing procedures for consumer complaints or disputes and the reversal of disputed charges; providing that violations are unfair and deceptive trade practices, which are subject to specified penalties and remedies; requiring a minimum award of damages under certain circumstances; providing a directive to the Division of Statutory Revision; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Communications, Energy, and Public Utilities; and Budget.

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By Senator Fasano—

**SB 1310**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to pharmacy audits; providing purpose; providing definitions; providing standards and procedures regulating the auditing of pharmacy records conducted on behalf of a pharmacy benefit manager; providing contract requirements and limitations; providing for the delivery of and response to preliminary and final audit reports; providing for the appeal of audits; providing penalties and remedies; providing for applicability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Regulation; and Budget.

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By Senator Gaetz—

**SB 1312**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the administrative authority of the executive branch; affirming that Executive Orders 11-72 and 11-211 are consistent with the law and public policy of this state; providing legislative intent; amending s. 20.02, F.S.; providing that gubernatorial appointees are generally subject to the oversight, direction, and control of the Governor; amending s. 20.03, F.S.; redefining the term “agency head”; specifying that an agency head who is appointed by and serves at the pleasure of the Governor remains subject to the supervision, direction, and control of the Governor; defining the term “serve at the pleasure”; specifying that an appointee who serves at the pleasure of an appointing authority remains subject to the direction, supervision, and control of the appointing authority; amending s. 20.05, F.S.; specifying that certain statutory directives to heads of department are subject to the allocation of executive power under the State Constitution; creating s. 120.515, F.S.; specifying that ch. 120, F.S., does not limit or impinge upon the authority of an appointing authority to direct and supervise an appointee serving at the pleasure of the appointing authority; amending s. 120.52, F.S.; specifying that certain acts of an



agency head who serves at the pleasure of an appointing authority are official acts, notwithstanding the authority of an appointing authority to direct and supervise the agency head; amending s. 14.34, F.S.; deleting the authority of the Executive Office of the Governor to adopt rules relating to the award of the Governor's Medal of Merit; amending s. 15.16, F.S.; deleting the authority of the Department of State to adopt rules relating to apostilles conforming to the Hague Convention of 1961; amending s. 15.18, F.S.; deleting the authority of the Secretary of State to adopt rules relating to contracts that are primarily for promotional services and events; deleting a requirement that appropriated funds be expended in accordance with part I of ch. 287, F.S.; amending s. 16.60, F.S.; deleting the authority of the Attorney General to adopt rules of procedure to govern its mediation proceedings; amending s. 17.0416, F.S.; deleting the authority of the Department of Financial Services to adopt rules relating to contractual agreements to provide accounting and payroll services on a fee basis; amending s. 17.59, F.S.; deleting the authority of the Chief Financial Officer to adopt rules for the management and maintenance of the collateral management service; repealing s. 25.371, F.S., which relates to the effect of rules adopted by the Supreme Court; repealing s. 28.43, F.S., which relates to the authority of the Department of Revenue to adopt rules relating to the clerks of court; repealing s. 35.07, F.S., which relates to the power of the district courts of appeal to make rules and regulations; amending s. 39.0137, F.S.; deleting the authority of the Department of Children and Family Services to adopt rules to ensure that the requirements of the Indian Child Welfare Act and the Multi-Ethnic Placement Act of 1994 are enforced; amending s. 39.824, F.S.; deleting a request that the Supreme Court adopt rules of juvenile procedure; amending s. 63.167, F.S.; deleting the authority of the Department of Children and Family Services to adopt rules relating to the establishment and operation of the state adoption information center; repealing s. 88.9051, F.S., which relates to the authority of the Department of Children and Family Services to adopt rules to implement ch. 88, F.S.; amending s. 97.026, F.S.; deleting the authority of the Department of State to adopt rules relating to the provision of forms and ballots in alternative formats; amending s. 97.0555, F.S.; deleting the authority of the Department of State to adopt rules specifying documentation that is sufficient for certain individuals to qualify for late registration to vote; amending s. 97.061, F.S.; deleting the authority of the Department of State to adopt rules relating to registration of persons to vote who are unable to read or write or who are disabled; amending s. 101.56062, F.S.; deleting the authority of the Department of State to adopt rules relating to standards for accessible voting systems; amending s. 103.101, F.S.; deleting the authority of the Department of State to promulgate rules relating to the conduct of the presidential preference primary ballot; amending s. 106.165, F.S.; deleting the authority of the Department of State to adopt rules relating to requirements to use closed captioning and descriptive narratives in certain television broadcasts; amending s. 110.1099, F.S.; deleting the authority of the Department of Management Services to adopt rules relating to educational and training opportunities for state employees; amending s. 110.1228, F.S.; deleting the authority of the Department of Management Services to adopt rules relating to the participation of small counties, small municipalities, and district school boards located in small counties to participate in the state group health insurance program; amending s. 110.12301, F.S.; deleting the authority of the Department of Management Services to adopt rules providing a process for verifying dependent eligibility in the state group insurance program; amending s. 112.1915, F.S.; deleting the authority of the State Board of Education to adopt rules relating to death benefits for teachers and school administrators; amending s. 118.12, F.S.; deleting the authority of the Department of State to adopt rules relating to the certification of a civil notary's authority; amending s. 121.085, F.S.; deleting the authority of the Department of Management Services to adopt rules relating to the submission of information necessary to establish a member's claim for creditable service; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Judiciary; and Budget.

By Senator Gaetz—

**SB 1314**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to career-themed courses; amending s. 1003.491, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the Florida Career and Professional Education Act; requiring that each district school board, in collaboration with regional workforce boards, economic development agencies, and postsecondary institutions, develop

a strategic 3-year plan addressing and meeting local and regional workforce demands; authorizing school districts to offer career-themed courses; revising the requirements of the strategic 3-year plan to include career-themed courses; revising the period within which newly proposed core courses are to be approved or denied by the curriculum review committee; amending s. 1003.492, F.S.; revising provisions relating to industry-certified career education programs to conform to changes made by the act; amending s. 1003.493, F.S.; providing a definition for the term “career-themed course”; requiring that students who complete career-themed courses receive a standard high school diploma, the highest available industry certification, and opportunities to earn postsecondary credit if the career-themed course credits can be articulated to a postsecondary institution; providing goals of career-themed courses; providing for career-themed courses to be offered in a school-within-a-school career academy or a school providing multiple career-themed courses structured around an occupational cluster; providing requirements for career-themed courses; requiring that strategies to improve the passage rate on an industry certification examination be included in the strategic 3-year plan under certain circumstances; requiring that Workforce Florida, Inc., serve in an advisory role in the development and deployment of newly established career-themed courses; amending s. 1003.4935, F.S.; revising provisions relating to middle school career and professional academy courses to conform to changes made by the act; amending s. 1011.62, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the computation of the annual allocation of funds to each school district for operation; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education Pre-K - 12; Commerce and Tourism; and Budget.

By Senator Gaetz—

**SB 1316**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to health care; amending s. 400.474, F.S.; revising the fine that may be imposed against a home health agency for failing to timely submit certain information to the Agency for Health Care Administration; amending s. 409.221, F.S.; revising the background screening requirements for persons rendering care in the consumer-directed care program administered by the Agency for Health Care Administration; amending s. 409.907, F.S.; extending the records-retention period for certain Medicaid provider records; revising the provider agreement to require Medicaid providers to report changes in any principal of the provider to the agency; defining the term “administrative fines” for purposes of revoking a Medicaid provider agreement due to changes of ownership; authorizing, rather than requiring, an onsite inspection of a Medicaid provider's service location before entering into a provider agreement; specifying the principals of a hospital or nursing home provider for the purposes of submitting fingerprints for background screening; removing certain providers from being subject to agency background checks; amending s. 409.913, F.S.; defining the term “Medicaid provider” or “provider” for purposes of oversight of the integrity of the Medicaid program; authorizing the agency to review and analyze information from sources other than Medicaid-enrolled providers for purposes of determining fraud, abuse, overpayment, or neglect; extending the records-retention period for certain Medicaid provider records; revising the grounds for terminating a provider from the Medicaid program; requiring the agency to base its overpayment audit reports on certain information; deleting a requirement that the agency pay interest on certain withheld Medicaid payments; requiring payment arrangements for overpayments and fines to be made within a certain time; specifying that the venue for all Medicaid program integrity cases lies in Leon County; authorizing the agency and the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit to review certain records; amending s. 409.920, F.S.; clarifying the applicability of immunity from civil liability extended to persons who provide information about fraud or suspected fraudulent acts by a Medicaid provider; amending s. 409.967, F.S.; specifying required components of a Medicaid managed care plan relating to the provisions of medications; amending s. 429.23, F.S.; requiring the agency to submit a report to the Legislature on adverse incident reports from assisted living facilities; amending s. 429.26, F.S.; authorizing the agency to require a resident of an assisted living facility to undergo a physical examination if the agency questions the appropriateness of the resident's placement in that facility; authorizing release of the results of the examination to a medical review team to be used along with additional information to determine whether the resident's placement in the assisted living facility is appropriate; providing for resident notification and relocation if the resident's continued pla-

cement in the facility is not appropriate; authorizing the agency to require the evaluation of a mental health resident by a mental health professional; authorizing an assisted living facility to discharge a resident who requires more services or care than the facility is able to provide; amending s. 456.0635, F.S.; revising the grounds under which the Department of Health or corresponding board is required to refuse to admit a candidate to an examination and refuse to issue or renew a license, certificate, or registration of a health care practitioner; providing an exception; amending s. 456.036, F.S.; providing that all persons who were denied renewal of licensure, certification, or registration under s. 456.0635(3), F.S., may regain licensure, certification, or registration only by completing the application process for initial licensure; providing an exception; amending s. 456.074, F.S.; revising the federal offenses for which the Department of Health must issue an emergency order suspending the license of certain health care professionals; requiring the agency to prepare a report for public comment and submission to the Legislature following the expansion of services to new populations or of new services; providing effective dates.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Regulation; and Budget.

By Senator Fasano—

**SB 1318**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to property loss appraisals; amending s. 627.351, F.S.; requiring Citizens Property Insurance Corporation's plan of operation to provide for the adoption of policy forms that require compliance with certain conditions and procedures relating to the participation of umpires and appraisers in the loss appraisal process under certain circumstances; providing that either party may submit a written demand to enter into the process of appraisal when the insured and the corporation fail to mutually agree to the actual cash value, the amount of loss, or the cost of repair or replacement of property for which a claim has been filed; providing an exception upon which the corporation may refuse to accept such demand; providing that the corporation waives the right to demand an appraisal under certain circumstances; requiring each party to select a competent and independent appraiser and to notify the opposing party within a specified period; requiring the appraisers to select an appraisal umpire; authorizing either party to file a petition, in a county or circuit court in the jurisdiction in which the covered property is located, to designate an appraisal umpire if the appraisers cannot agree on the selection of an umpire; providing that appraisal proceedings are informal unless the corporation and the insured agree otherwise; defining and providing the scope of the term "informal" for purposes of appraisal proceedings; requiring each appraiser to submit a written report to the other appraiser; requiring that any differences in findings between the appraisers that cannot be resolved by the appraisers themselves within a specified period be submitted to the umpire for review; providing an exception; requiring the umpire to submit his or her conclusions regarding any unresolved differences in the findings of the appraisers within a specified period; providing that if either appraiser agrees with the conclusions of the umpire, an itemized written appraisal award signed by the umpire and appraiser shall be filed with the corporation and shall determine the amount of the loss; providing that the appraisal award is binding upon the corporation and the insured; providing for compensation of the appraisers and the umpire; providing applicability of the Florida Arbitration Code to residential or commercial residential property insurance loss appraisal proceedings and specified procedural matters; prohibiting the appraisal process from addressing issues involving coverage or lack thereof under an insurance contract; authorizing the umpire and appraisers to consider causation issues when necessary to determine the amount of loss; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; and Budget.

By Senator Sobel—

**SB 1320**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to orthoses and prostheses; requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration to conduct a study concerning the medical necessity, costs, and efficacy of mandating coverage for certain orthoses and prostheses; requiring that the agency report its findings and recommendations to the Legislature; requiring the Office of Insurance Regulation and the Department of Health to provide certain assistance; providing an appropriation; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Regulation; Banking and Insurance; and Budget.

By Senator Norman—

**SB 1322**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to local requirements for dangerous dogs; amending s. 767.14, F.S.; removing the provision that exempts local ordinances adopted before a specified date from the prohibition on ordinances that are specific to breed or that lessen state restrictions governing dangerous dogs; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Budget.

By Senator Norman—

**SB 1324**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the theft of copper; amending s. 538.18, F.S.; redefining the terms "regulated metals property" and "secondary metals recycler"; defining the term "copper"; amending s. 538.23, F.S.; requiring that a secondary metals recycler execute a bond in a specified amount for the benefit of any person wrongfully injured by malfeasance, misfeasance, neglect of duty, or incompetence by the secondary metals recycler for purchasing regulated metals property stolen from an electrical substation site; requiring that the bond be renewed annually; amending s. 538.26, F.S.; prohibiting a secondary metals recycler from purchasing regulated metals property from a seller under certain circumstances; amending s. 812.145, F.S.; providing that a person who removes or assists another to remove copper or other nonferrous metals from an electrical substation site commits a felony of the first degree; providing criminal penalties; reenacting s. 319.30(1)(u), F.S., relating to the dismantling, destruction, change of identity, or salvage of a motor vehicle or mobile home, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 538.18, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Criminal Justice; and Budget.

**SR 1326**—Not referenced.

By Senator Hays—

**SB 1328**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to damages for medical or health care services; creating s. 768.755, F.S.; limiting recovery of damages for medical or health care services to amounts actually paid if no balance to the provider is outstanding; limiting recovery of such damages to amounts customarily accepted by providers in the same geographic area if a balance to the provider is outstanding; requiring medical or health care services to be medically necessary in order to be recoverable; specifying that certain evidence shall be considered in determining the amounts customarily accepted; providing for reduction of awards under specified provisions; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Health Regulation; and Budget.

By Senator Hays—

**SB 1330**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the practice of electrolysis; amending ss. 458.348 and 459.025, F.S.; revising the protocols relating to electrolysis or electrology to require indirect, rather than direct, supervision by a physician and not require that the physician be at the location where the electrolysis is performed; amending s. 478.42, F.S.; defining the term "indirect supervision" as it relates to the Electrolysis Practice Act; creating s. 478.451, F.S.; requiring a licensed electrologist who performs hair removal or reduction using laser or light-based technology to practice under a protocol with a supervising licensed physician; requiring that the protocol require indirect supervision of the electrologist by the licensed physician; creating s. 478.456, F.S.; requiring that adverse incidents be reported to the Department of Health; requiring that an electrologist practicing in this state notify the department if the electrologist was involved in an adverse incident; re-

quiring that the electrologist's notification be submitted in writing and postmarked within a specified number of days after the occurrence of the adverse incident; providing a definition of the term "adverse incident"; requiring the department to review each adverse incident and determine whether it potentially involved conduct by a health care practitioner who is subject to disciplinary action; requiring that disciplinary action be taken by the appropriate board; requiring the Board of Medicine to adopt rules; providing effective dates.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Regulation; and Budget.

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By Senators Fasano and Dockery—

**SB 1332**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to staffing requirements for nursing home facilities; amending s. 400.23, F.S.; revising the Agency for Health Care Administration's rulemaking authority relating to minimum staffing requirements for nursing home facilities; amending s. 400.141, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; providing an appropriation; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Regulation; and Budget.

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By Senator Oelrich—

**SB 1334**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Retirement System; amending s. 121.021, F.S.; revising definitions of the terms "normal retirement date" and "vested" or "vesting"; amending s. 121.091, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the early retirement benefit calculation to conform to changes made by the act; amending s. 121.4501, F.S.; requiring new employees to, by default, be enrolled in the investment plan; extending the period during which employees may elect to participate in the pension plan; prohibiting certain employees from choosing to move to the pension plan after a certain period; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Budget; and Rules.

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By Senator Sobel—

**SB 1336**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to beach waters; amending s. 514.023, F.S.; requiring a report to the Governor and Legislature by a certain date with certain recommendations; requiring the Department of Health to investigate the sources of contamination of beach waters; requiring the department to develop and implement a public education program regarding human actions that affect the water quality of beach waters; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Regulation; Environmental Preservation and Conservation; and Budget.

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By Senator Bullard—

**SB 1338**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to charter schools; amending s. 1002.33, F.S.; requiring each charter school to maintain an Internet website with information about the school, its personnel, and its programs; requiring specified information relating to any agency that owns or manages the school; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education Pre-K - 12; and Budget.

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By Senator Sachs—

**SB 1340**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to concealed weapons or firearms; amending s. 790.06, F.S.; providing that a license to carry a concealed weapon or firearm does not authorize any person to openly carry a handgun or carry a concealed weapon or firearm into a state, county, municipal, school board, constitutional officer's, or special district office or building that primarily consists of offices for one of these entities or any combination of them or into a child care facility; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Community Affairs; and Budget.

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By Senator Storms—

**SB 1342**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to child support enforcement; amending s. 61.13, F.S.; providing that, for IV-D cases, an affidavit filed with a child support depository requesting that child support payments be made through the depository need not allege a default in support payments; amending s. 61.13016, F.S.; requiring the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to suspend an obligor's driver license unless the obligor begins paying child support by income deduction; amending s. 322.058, F.S.; requiring the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to reinstate an obligor's driving privileges if the obligor is paying his or her support obligation by income deduction order; amending s. 409.256, F.S.; adding a caregiver to the list of persons who may provide a statement regarding a putative father; amending s. 409.2563, F.S.; providing for the filing of a written request to informally discuss a proposed administrative support order with the Department of Revenue; amending s. 409.25656, F.S.; providing that notice of a levy upon property may be delivered by regular mail rather than by registered mail; providing for notices to be sent to a garnishee by e-mail or facsimile; requiring the Chief Financial Officer to work cooperatively with the department to establish an automated method for periodically disclosing to the department an electronic file of individuals to whom the state pays money for goods or services or who lease real property to the state; requiring the department to use the collected data to identify individuals who owe past due or overdue child support and to garnish payments owed to such individuals by the state; amending s. 409.25658, F.S.; revising provisions relating to unclaimed property to be transferred to the Department of Revenue to pay for past due child support; amending s. 409.2575, F.S.; providing that the Department of Revenue rather than the director of the state IV-D program may cause a lien to be placed on a motor vehicle and vessel; reenacting s. 409.256(7), F.S., relating to administrative procedures to establish paternity, to incorporate the amendments made to s. 322.058, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing effective dates.

—was referred to the Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Transportation; Banking and Insurance; and Budget.

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**SR 1344**—Not referenced.

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By Senator Oelrich—

**SB 1346**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to Citizens Property Insurance Corporation; amending s. 627.351, F.S.; conforming cross-references; reducing to 2 percent from 6 percent the amount of the projected deficit in the coastal account for the prior calendar year which is recovered through regular assessments; requiring that remaining projected deficits in personal and commercial lines accounts be recovered through emergency assessments after accounting for the Citizens policyholder surcharge; requiring the Office of Insurance Regulation of the Financial Services Commission to notify assessable insurers and the Florida Surplus Lines Service Office of the dates assessable insurers shall collect and pay emergency assessments; removing reference to recoupment of residual market deficit assessments; requiring the board of governors to make a determination that an account has a projected deficit before it levies a Citizens policy holder surcharge; requiring that a limited apportionment company begin collecting regular assessments within 90 days and pay in full within 15 months after the assessment is levied; authorizing the Office of Insurance Regulation to assist the Citizens Property Insurance Corporation in the collection of assessments; replacing the term "market equalization surcharge" with the term "policyholder surcharge"; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; and Budget.

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By Senators Wise and Gaetz—

**SB 1348**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to coordination between schools and local governments; amending s. 1002.36, F.S.; authorizing the Board of Trustees of the Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind to

exercise the power of eminent domain after receiving approval from the Administration Commission; requiring the board of trustees to provide student housing in compliance with specified law; amending s. 1013.33, F.S.; revising and deleting requirements for an interlocal agreement between a district school board and local governments to conform to related requirements in s. 163.31777, F.S.; amending s. 1013.35, F.S.; conforming cross-references to changes made by the act; amending s. 1013.351, F.S.; deleting a requirement that the Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind and the local government submit an interlocal agreement to the state land planning agency and the Office of Educational Facilities for review; providing for the vesting of the Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind facilities; requiring local government cooperation in the restoration of school facilities; requiring school facilities to comply with specified law; amending s. 1013.36, F.S.; conforming cross-references to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education Pre-K - 12; Community Affairs; and Budget.

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By Senator Sobel—

**SB 1350**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to cancer control; amending s. 1004.435, F.S.; revising legislative intent to delete provisions relating to research activities for cancer control; changing the name of the cancer control and research advisory council to the Florida Cancer Control and Resource Advisory Council; providing for the appointment and terms of council members and duties of the council; providing for a nominating committee to make recommendations for gubernatorial appointments to the council; providing for council membership categories; providing for an executive committee of the council and duties of the committee; authorizing consultants to the council; providing duties of the council for the development, review, and approval of the Florida Cancer Plan; deleting responsibilities of the council and the Board of Governors of the State University System relating to cancer research; authorizing the Department of Health to adopt rules for implementation of the section; providing department duties relating to the development and establishment of the Florida Cancer Plan; revising the name of the cancer control fund and deleting the use of funds for cancer research; amending ss. 458.324 and 459.0125, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Regulation; and Budget.

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By Senator Detert—

**SB 1352**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to mail order sales; amending s. 212.0596, F.S.; redefining the term “mail order sale” to include sales ordered through the Internet; defining the term “agent”; providing an exception to provisions that subject a dealer who makes sales through the Internet to requirements to collect sales and use taxes; creating a presumption that a dealer is presumed to be soliciting business through state residents under certain circumstances; subjecting a dealer who makes mail order sales to requirements to collect sales and use taxes if the dealer has a contract with a person located in this state under which the dealer sells the same or substantially similar line of products as the person under certain circumstances; creating s. 212.05961, F.S.; requiring a dealer who makes mail order sales and who is not required to collect sales and use taxes to notify purchasers of the duty to submit sales and use taxes to this state; specifying requirements for the notice; authorizing a dealer to use a consolidated notice that includes the information required by this state and another state; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Budget; and Rules.

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By Senator Detert—

**SB 1354**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to environmental resource permitting; creating s. 373.4131, F.S.; requiring the Department of Environmental Protection, in coordination with the water management districts, to adopt statewide environmental resource permitting rules for activities relating to the management and storage of surface waters; providing rule requirements; preserving an exemption from causes of action under the “Bert J. Harris, Jr., Private Property Rights

Protection Act”; providing an exemption from the rulemaking provisions of ch. 120, F.S., for implementation of the rules by water management districts and delegated local programs; requiring counties, municipalities, and delegated local programs to amend ordinances and regulations within a specified timeframe to conform with the rules; providing for applicability, effect, and repeal of specified rules; authorizing water management districts to adopt and retain specified rules; authorizing the department to incorporate certain rules; providing a presumption of compliance for specified design, construction, operation, and maintenance of certain stormwater management systems; providing exemptions for specified stormwater management systems and permitted activities; requiring the department to conduct or oversee staff assessment and training; reenacting s. 70.001(12), F.S., relating to the “Bert J. Harris, Jr., Private Property Rights Protection Act,” for purposes of a cross-reference in s. 373.4131, F.S.; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; and Budget.

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By Senator Detert—

**SB 1356**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to employment practices; prohibiting an employer from using a job applicant’s credit report or credit history to make certain hiring, compensation, or other employment decisions; providing specific situations where an employer may use such information; providing definitions; providing exemptions for certain types of employers; providing remedies for aggrieved persons; providing for attorney fees and court costs; providing for a plaintiff to post a bond in certain situations; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Judiciary; and Budget.

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By Senator Hays—

**SB 1358**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Drug-Free Workplace Act; amending s. 112.0455, F.S.; removing the definition of the term “safety-sensitive position” and defining the term “random testing”; authorizing an agency within state government to conduct random drug testing every 3 months; removing provisions prohibiting a state agency from discharging or disciplining an employee under certain circumstances based on the employee’s first positive confirmed drug test; removing provisions limiting the circumstances under which an agency may discharge an employee in a special risk or safety-sensitive position; providing that an agency may discharge or discipline an employee following a first-time positive confirmed drug test result; authorizing an agency to refer an employee to an employee assistance program or an alcohol and drug rehabilitation program if the employee is not discharged; requiring participation in an employee assistance program at the employee’s own expense; requiring the employer to determine if the employee is able to safely and effectively perform the job duties assigned to the employee before the employee completes the employee assistance program; deeming that certain specified job activities cannot be performed safely and effectively while the employee is participating in the employee assistance program; requiring the employer to transfer the employee to a job assignment that he or she can perform safely and effectively while the employee participates in the employee assistance program; requiring the employer to place the employee on leave status while the employee is participating in an employee assistance program if such a position is unavailable; authorizing the employee to use accumulated leave credits before being placed on leave without pay; amending s. 440.102, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “job applicant” as it pertains to a public employer; removing the definition of the term “safety-sensitive position” and replacing it with the definition for the term “mandatory-testing position;” providing that an employer remains qualified for an insurer rate plan that discounts rates for worker’s compensation and employer’s liability insurance policies if the employer maintains a drug-free workplace program that is broader in scope than that provided for by the standards and procedures established in the act; authorizing a public employer, using an unbiased selection procedure, to conduct random drug tests of employees occupying mandatory-testing or special-risk positions if the testing is performed in accordance with drug-testing rules adopted by the Agency for Health Care Administration; requiring that a public sector employer assign a public sector employee to a position other than a mandatory-testing position if the employee enters an employee assistance program or drug

rehabilitation program; removing provisions related to collective bargaining rights for nonfederal public sector employers; conforming cross-references; amending s. 944.474, F.S.; revising provisions governing employees of the state correctional system, to conform to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Regulation; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Budget.

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By Senator Hays—

**SB 1360**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to application of foreign law in certain cases; creating s. 45.022, F.S.; defining the term “foreign law, legal code, or system”; clarifying that the public policies expressed in the act apply to violations of a natural person’s fundamental liberties, rights, and privileges guaranteed by the State Constitution or the United States Constitution; providing that the act does not apply to a corporation, partnership, or other form of business association, except when necessary to provide effective relief in proceedings under or relating to chapters 61 and 88, F.S.; specifying the public policy of this state in applying the choice of a foreign law, legal code, or system under certain circumstances in proceedings brought under or relating to chapters 61 and 88, F.S., which relate to dissolution of marriage, support, time-sharing, the Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction and Enforcement Act, and the Uniform Interstate Family Support Act; declaring that certain decisions rendered under such laws, codes, or systems are void; declaring that certain choice of venue or forum provisions in a contract are void; providing for the construction of a waiver by a natural person of the person’s fundamental liberties, rights, and privileges guaranteed by the State Constitution or the United States Constitution; declaring that claims of forum non conveniens or related claims must be denied under certain circumstances; providing that the act may not be construed to require or authorize any court to adjudicate, or prohibit any religious organization from adjudicating, ecclesiastical matters in violation of specified constitutional provisions or to conflict with any federal treaty or other international agreement to which the United States is a party to a specified extent; providing for severability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; and Budget.

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By Senator Hays—

**SB 1362**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the ordinary high-water mark for navigable, nontidal waterbodies; creating s. 253.024, F.S.; providing definitions; providing criteria for determining the location of the ordinary high-water mark for navigable, nontidal waterbodies; providing for construction; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; and Budget.

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By Senator Hays—

**SB 1364**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to controlled substances; amending s. 893.13, F.S.; prohibiting the knowing use of a Schedule II controlled substance in a form or manner other than that in which the manufacturer or prescriber intended it to be used; providing criminal penalties; amending ss. 893.055, 893.0551, and 921.0022, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing definitions; requiring the Board of Pharmacy to create a list of opioid analgesic drugs that incorporate a tamper-resistance technology and have been approved by a specified agency; prohibiting substitution for such an opioid analgesic drug with another opioid analgesic drug without meeting specified requirements; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Regulation; Criminal Justice; and Budget.

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By Senator Gaetz—

**SB 1366**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to education; creating s. 445.07, F.S.; requiring that the Department of Economic Opportunity prepare, or contract with an entity to prepare, an economic security report of employment and earning outcomes for degrees earned at a

state university; providing requirements for the report; requiring that a link to the report be submitted to the Governor, the Legislature, and other entities by a specified date each year; creating s. 445.09, F.S.; requiring that the Department of Economic Opportunity, in coordination with Workforce Florida, Inc., recruit students who meet specified requirements and match them to potential employers; creating s. 445.11, F.S.; requiring that the Department of Economic Opportunity refer secondary school students who have been identified as having earned an industry certification in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics to an online registration website or a private placement service that links the student to information, resources, and employment opportunities; amending s. 1001.03, F.S.; requiring that the State Board of Education, in consultation with the Board of Governors and the Department of Economic Opportunity, adopt a unified state plan to improve K-20 education in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics and prepare students for high-skill, high-wage, and high-demand employment; amending s. 1001.42, F.S.; requiring that district school boards require school principals or classroom teachers to annually provide secondary school students and their parents with a link to the Department of Economic Opportunity’s economic security report; amending s. 1001.706, F.S.; requiring that the Board of Governors require each state university to annually provide enrolled students with a link to the Department of Economic Opportunity’s economic security report and other specified information during registration or earlier; requiring that the Board of Governors annually report specified information, by each state university, to the Governor and the Legislature; amending s. 1002.20, F.S.; requiring that each middle school and high school student and his or her parent receive a link and a summary of the Department of Economic Opportunity’s economic security report each year; amending s. 1003.4156, F.S.; revising the general requirements for middle grades promotion to include one career-themed course to be completed in 6th, 7th, or 8th grade; providing requirements for the career-themed course; requiring that each school district develop or adopt the career-themed course, subject to approval by the Department of Education; amending s. 1003.4935, F.S.; requiring that the State Board of Education adopt rules to identify industry certifications in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics offered in middle school to be included on the Industry Certified Funding List; creating s. 1004.323, F.S.; requiring that a state university grant priority enrollment and registration to a student who leaves the state university after being recruited for employment under s. 445.09, F.S., upon the student’s reenrollment at the state university; amending s. 1008.39, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the Florida Education and Training Placement Information Program; requiring that the Department of Education include former participants who leave the state or who are self-employed as part of the information managed by the program; authorizing the department to contract with an entity to provide such information; amending s. 1009.24, F.S.; authorizing a state university to expend a certain percentage of the remaining revenues from the tuition differential or the equivalent amount of revenues from private sources to provide financial aid to certain undergraduate students; requiring that the Board of Governors submit a report containing information regarding such undergraduate students; amending s. 1011.62, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the computation of the annual allocation of funds for school district operations, to conform to changes made by the act; creating s. 1011.905, F.S.; requiring that the Board of Governors review and rank each state university based on certain criteria; requiring that the Board of Governors award up to a specified amount to the highest-ranked state universities; requiring that the Board of Governors report to the Governor and the Legislature by a specified date each year; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education Pre-K - 12; Higher Education; and Budget.

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By Senator Gaetz—

**SB 1368**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to high school graduation; creating s. 1003.4281, F.S.; providing a short title; providing a purpose; providing a definition for the term “early graduation”; requiring that each school district adopt a policy that provides a high school student with the option of graduating early; requiring that each school district notify the parent of a student who is eligible for early graduation; prohibiting a school district from preventing a student from graduating early if the student meets the requirements; providing that a student who graduates early is eligible to continue participating in activities,

awards, class rankings, social events, and graduation events; authorizing a school principal or superintendent to prevent such participation under certain circumstances; providing that a student who graduates early may be denied access to the school facilities and grounds during normal operating hours; providing that a credit is equal to one-sixth full-time equivalent student; amending s. 1008.22, F.S.; requiring that the end-of-course assessment in Algebra I be administered four times annually beginning with a specified school year; amending s. 1008.34, F.S.; revising provisions relating to school grades; requiring that the Department of Education award bonus points to a high school based on the percentage of students who earn credits in mathematics and science in excess of the general requirements for high school graduation and the number of students who graduate in less than 8 semesters or the equivalent; amending ss. 1009.53 and 1009.531, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Education to evaluate students who graduate at the midpoint of the academic year for a Florida Bright Futures Scholarship award; requiring that such students be evaluated for scholarship renewal after completion of a full academic year at an eligible post-secondary education institution; requiring that students submit a completed Florida Financial Aid Application by a specified date; amending s. 1011.61, F.S.; providing reporting requirements for school districts for full-time equivalent students in courses requiring statewide end-of-course assessments; providing that a student who passes a statewide end-of-course assessment without having taken the corresponding course is one-sixth of a full-time equivalent student for funding purposes; providing for school districts to receive additional funding for students who graduate early; amending s. 1011.62, F.S.; providing a calculation of additional full-time equivalent membership based on accelerated high school graduation; authorizing a school district to report unpaid high school credits for students who graduate at least one semester or 1 year or more in advance of their scheduled graduation for funding purposes; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education Pre-K - 12; and Budget.

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By Senator Fasano—

**SB 1370**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to an at-home care patients' bill of rights; providing the rights and responsibilities of a patient who receives health care services at home; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Regulation; and Budget.

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By Senator Alexander—

**SB 1372**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Hurricane Catastrophe Fund; amending s. 215.555, F.S.; revising the definitions of "retention" and "corporation"; providing for calculation of an insurer's reimbursement premium and retention under the reimbursement contract; revising coverage levels available under the reimbursement contract; revising aggregate coverage limits; providing for the phase-in of changes to coverage levels and limits; revising the cash build-up factor included in reimbursement premiums; providing for phase-in; reducing maximum allowable emergency assessments; changing the name of the Florida Hurricane Catastrophe Fund Finance Corporation; repealing provisions related to temporary emergency options for additional coverage; terminating the temporary increase in coverage limits option at the end of the 2011-2012 contract year; limiting to the 2012-2013 contract year provisions relating to the TICL options addendum, TICL reimbursement premiums, and the claims-paying capacity of the fund, to conform; amending s. 627.0629, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; and Budget.

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By Senator Wise—

**SB 1374**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to abortion; creating the "Florida for Life Act"; creating s. 390.0001, F.S.; providing legislative findings regarding abortion; creating s. 390.01113, F.S.; providing definitions; prohibiting inducing, performing, attempting to perform, or assisting in induced abortions; providing criminal penalties; prohibiting

inflicting serious bodily injury on a person in the course of performing an abortion; providing criminal penalties; providing enhanced criminal penalties if the serious bodily injury results in death; prohibiting operation of any facility, business, or service within this state for the purpose of providing induced abortion services; providing criminal penalties; prohibiting termination of a pregnancy unless specified conditions are met; requiring that a termination of pregnancy be performed only by a physician; requiring voluntary, informed consent for a termination of pregnancy; providing an exception for medical emergencies; providing for documentation of a medical emergency; providing that violations may subject physicians to discipline under specified provisions; providing a standard of medical care to be used during a termination of pregnancy performed while the patient's fetus is viable; providing that the woman's life is a superior consideration to the concern for the life of the fetus and the woman's health is a superior consideration to the concern for the health of the fetus when such life or health concerns are in conflict; prohibiting a physician's misrepresentation of the gestational age or developmental stage of a viable fetus in any medical record and failing to use the prescribed standard of care on a viable fetus; providing criminal penalties; prohibiting fetal experimentation; providing an exception; requiring that fetal remains be disposed of according to specified standards; providing criminal penalties; excluding specified procedures from application of the section; requiring physicians and personnel at a medical facility to provide certain women and minors who have been treated by the facility with information regarding adoption and a statewide list of attorneys available to provide volunteer legal services for adoption; providing that violation of certain provisions by a physician may be grounds for discipline; providing rulemaking authority to the Agency for Health Care Administration and the Department of Health; creating s. 390.01117, F.S.; providing that the section takes effect only if s. 390.01113, F.S., is declared unconstitutional or has its enforcement enjoined; providing definitions; prohibiting termination of a pregnancy after a fetus has been determined to be viable; providing exceptions; requiring a determination of viability for women in a certain week of pregnancy or later before termination may be performed; requiring an ultrasound and recordkeeping; providing that determination of viability and a required ultrasound may not be performed by a physician providing reproductive health services at an abortion clinic; requiring that a termination of pregnancy involving a viable fetus, when not prohibited, be performed in a hospital or other medical facility; providing a standard of care for a termination of pregnancy performed while a fetus is viable; providing that the woman's life is a superior consideration to the concern for the life of the fetus and the woman's health is a superior consideration to the concern for the health of the fetus when such life or health concerns are in conflict; prohibiting a physician's misrepresentation of the gestational age or developmental stage of a viable fetus in any medical record and failing to use the prescribed standard of care on a viable fetus; providing criminal penalties; providing that only a physician may perform a termination of pregnancy; requiring voluntary and informed consent for a termination of pregnancy; providing an exception for medical emergencies; providing for documentation of a medical emergency; providing that violations may subject physicians to discipline; prohibiting experimentation on a fetus; providing an exception; requiring that fetal remains be disposed of according to specified standards; providing criminal penalties; providing that no person or facility is required to participate in the termination of a pregnancy or be liable for such refusal; excluding specified procedures from application of the section; prohibiting a termination of pregnancy procedure in violation of specified requirements; providing criminal penalties; prohibiting inflicting serious bodily injury on a person in the course of performing a termination of pregnancy; providing criminal penalties; providing enhanced criminal penalties if the serious bodily injury results in death; requiring physicians and personnel at a medical facility to provide certain women and minors who have been treated by the facility with information regarding adoption and a statewide list of attorneys available to provide volunteer legal services for adoption; providing rulemaking authority to the Agency for Health Care Administration and the Department of Health; providing that rulemaking authority is supplemental to s. 390.012, F.S.; amending s. 39.001, F.S.; providing legislative intent concerning adoption services for women with unwanted pregnancies; requiring the Office of Adoption and Child Protection to create and manage a statewide list of attorneys providing volunteer adoption services for women with unwanted pregnancies who would have selected abortion, if lawful, rather than adoption; providing that all federal moneys received by the state as a result of efforts made by the office to provide legal services have deposited, directed and budgeted the full amount for its use; repealing s. 390.011, F.S., relating to

definitions; repealing s. 390.0111, F.S., relating to termination of pregnancies; repealing s. 390.0114, F.S., which creates the Parental Notice of Abortion Act; repealing s. 390.0116, F.S., relating to public records exemptions for identifying information regarding minors seeking a waiver of notice requirements under the Parental Notice of Abortion Act; repealing s. 390.0112, F.S., relating to termination of pregnancy reporting; repealing s. 390.012, F.S., relating to powers of the Agency for Health Care Administration, rulemaking, and the disposal of fetal remains; repealing s. 390.014, F.S., relating to licenses and fees; repealing s. 390.015, F.S., relating to application for license; repealing s. 390.018, F.S., relating to administrative fines; repealing s. 390.025, F.S., relating to abortion referral or counseling agencies and penalties; repealing s. 782.30, F.S., relating to the short title for the Partial-Birth Abortion Act; repealing s. 782.32, F.S., relating to definitions for the Partial-Birth Abortion Act; repealing s. 782.34, F.S., relating to partial-birth abortion; repealing s. 782.36, F.S., relating to exceptions to the Partial-Birth Abortion Act; amending s. 27.511, F.S.; conforming language relating to court-appointed counsel for minors under the Parental Notice of Abortion Act to the repeal of s. 390.0114, F.S.; amending ss. 627.64995, 627.6699, 627.66996, and 641.31099, F.S.; providing restrictions on use of state and federal funds for state exchanges that provide coverage for induced abortions and terminations of pregnancies under certain conditions; amending ss. 743.065 and 765.113, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing that if s. 390.0117, F.S., is declared unconstitutional or has its enforcement enjoined, the repeal of s. 390.011, F.S., and the amendment of s. 39.001, F.S., are void and of no effect; providing legislative intent; providing that if s. 390.0113, F.S., is declared unconstitutional or has its enforcement enjoined, specified statutory repeals and amendments contained in this act are void and of no effect; providing legislative intent; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Regulation; Criminal Justice; and Budget.

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By Senator Jones—

**SB 1376**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to pari-mutuel wagering; amending s. 550.002, F.S.; adding and revising definitions; repealing s. 550.0745, F.S., relating to the conversion of a pari-mutuel permit to a summer jai alai permit; amending s. 550.3345, F.S.; deleting provisions authorizing the relocation of a converted limited thoroughbred permit; amending s. 551.102, F.S.; redefining the term “eligible facility” as it relates to slot machine gaming; providing that a facility may become eligible for slot machine gaming only after a specifically authorized referendum has been conducted; providing that slot machine licenses may be issued only to certain pari-mutuel permitholders; prohibiting the transfer of a slot machine license; redefining the term “slot machine licensee” to conform to changes made by the act; amending s. 551.104, F.S.; authorizing the Division of Pari-mutuel Wagering to approve an application for a license to conduct slot machine gaming for a facility located in a county operating under a home rule charter; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Budget; and Rules.

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By Senator Altman—

**SB 1378**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to payment for services provided by licensed psychologists; amending ss. 627.6131 and 641.3155, F.S.; adding licensed psychologists to the list of health care providers who are protected by a limitations period from claims for overpayment being sought by health insurers or health maintenance organizations; adding licensed psychologists to the list of health care providers who are subject to a limitations period for submitting claims to health insurers or health maintenance organizations for underpayment; amending s. 627.638, F.S.; adding licensed psychologists to the list of health care providers who are eligible for direct payment for medical services by a health insurer under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Regulation; Banking and Insurance; and Budget.

By Senator Gibson—

**SB 1380**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to instructional personnel; amending s. 1012.22, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 1012.34, F.S.; deleting a provision requiring that the performance evaluations of instructional personnel who are not classroom teachers include growth data on statewide assessments for students assigned to the instructional personnel over the course of at least 3 years; deleting provisions authorizing a school district to request that the performance evaluation of a classroom teacher assigned to a course that is not measured by a statewide assessment include the learning growth of the teacher’s students on FCAT Reading or FCAT Mathematics; deleting provisions requiring that the student learning growth portion of a performance evaluation for classroom teachers of courses for which the district has not implemented appropriate assessments be measured by the growth in learning of the classroom teachers’ students on statewide assessments; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education Pre-K - 12; and Budget.

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By Senator Bennett—

**SB 1382**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to service animals; amending s. 413.08, F.S.; revising and providing definitions; revising designation and duties of a service animal; providing rights of an individual with a disability accompanied by a service animal or a person who trains or raises service animals with regard to public or housing accommodations under certain conditions; providing penalties; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; and Budget.

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By Senator Bennett—

**SB 1384**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to taxes; amending s. 212.08, F.S.; expanding exemptions from the sales and use tax on labor and parts and equipment used in aircraft repairs on certain aircraft weighing more than 2,000 pounds; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; and Budget.

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By Senator Smith—

**SB 1386**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Interstate Insurance Product Regulation Compact; providing legislative findings and intent; providing purposes; providing definitions; providing for establishment of an Interstate Insurance Product Regulation Commission; providing responsibilities of the commission; specifying the commission as an instrumentality of the compacting states; providing for venue; specifying the commission as a separate, not-for-profit entity; providing powers of the commission; providing for organization of the commission; providing for membership, voting, and bylaws; designating the Commissioner of Insurance Regulation as the representative of this state on the commission; providing for a management committee, officers, and personnel of the commission; providing authority of the management committee; providing for legislative and advisory committees; providing for qualified immunity, defense, and indemnification of members, officers, employees, and representatives of the commission; providing for meetings and acts of the commission; providing rules and operating procedures; providing rulemaking functions of the commission; providing for opting out of uniform standards; providing procedures and requirements; providing for commission records and enforcement; authorizing the commission to adopt rules; providing for disclosure of certain information; specifying that certain records, data, or information of the commission in possession of the Office of Insurance Regulation is subject to ch. 119, F.S.; requiring the commission to monitor for compliance; providing for dispute resolution; providing for product filing and approval; requiring the commission to establish filing and review processes and procedures; providing for review of commission decisions regarding filings; providing for finance of commission activities; providing for payment of expenses; authorizing the commission to collect filing fees for certain purposes; providing for approval of a commission budget; exempting the commission from all taxation; prohibiting the commission



from pledging the credit of any compacting states without authority; requiring the commission to keep complete accurate accounts, provide for audits, and make annual reports to the Governors and Legislatures of compacting states; providing for effective date and amendment of the compact; providing for withdrawal from the compact, default by compacting states, and dissolution of the compact; providing severability and construction; providing for binding effect of compact and other laws; exercising the state's right in accordance with the compact to prospectively opt out of all uniform standards in the compact involving long-term care insurance products; providing application; providing an appropriation; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Commerce and Tourism; and Budget.

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By Senator Bogdanoff—

**SB 1388**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to motor vehicle registration forms; amending s. 320.02, F.S.; requiring the application forms for motor vehicle registration and renewal of registration to include language permitting the applicant to make a voluntary contribution to Autism Services and Supports and to Support Our Troops; providing that such contributions are not income for specified purposes; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; and Budget.

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By Senator Joyner—

**SB 1390**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending ss. 741.30 and 784.046, F.S.; providing exemptions from public records requirements for personal identifying and location information of victims of domestic violence, repeat violence, sexual violence, and dating violence held by the Florida Association of Court Clerks and Comptrollers in conjunction with the automated process developed by the association by which a petitioner may request notification of service of an injunction for protection against domestic violence, repeat violence, sexual violence, or dating violence and other court actions related to the injunction for protection; providing that the exemption is conditional upon the petitioner's request; providing specified duration of the exemption; providing for access by state or federal agencies in furtherance of the agencies' statutory duties; providing that notification to the petitioner of service of the injunction for protection must inform the petitioner of the right to request that the identifying and location information be held exempt from public records requirements; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemptions; providing a statement of public necessity; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

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By Senator Benacquisto—

**SB 1392**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to transportation accessibility; providing a short title; providing definitions; requiring certain taxicab operators to provide accessible taxicabs after a certain date; requiring the Department of Transportation to adopt rules; providing for certain airports and deepwater ports to allow for priority rotation of accessible taxicabs after a certain date; amending s. 212.08, F.S.; providing a tax exemption for the sale or lease of accessible vehicles; amending s. 409.905, F.S.; requiring transportation services that provide transportation for Medicaid recipients to certify to the Agency for Health Care Administration that the transportation service uses accessible vehicles; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; and Budget.

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By Senator Altman—

**SB 1394**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to automated external defibrillators; amending s. 401.2915, F.S.; encouraging a person or entity to notify the local public safety answering point regarding the location of the defibrillator in its possession; authorizing public safety tele-

communicators to contact owners of defibrillators under certain circumstances involving coronary emergency calls; requiring certain entities to notify local emergency services medical directors of the locations of automated external defibrillators; requiring local emergency medical services medical directors to maintain registries of certain automated external defibrillator locations; amending s. 768.1326, F.S.; directing the State Surgeon General, with the assistance of the Department of Management Services, to adopt rules to establish guidelines for the appropriate placement and deployment of automated external defibrillators in places of public assembly; providing a definition; providing exceptions; clarifying the scope of the requirements of the act; amending s. 1006.165, F.S.; requiring the placement of an automated external defibrillator in each public school in this state; requiring training of certain persons; requiring registration of such devices with local emergency medical services medical directors; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Regulation; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Budget.

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**SR 1396**—Not referenced.

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By Senators Gardiner and Fasano—

**SB 1398**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to regional workforce boards; providing a short title; amending s. 445.007, F.S.; authorizing the chief elected official in the area of a regional workforce board to appoint representatives to the board if authorized by the Governor; requiring members and the executive director of a regional workforce board to make financial disclosures; providing that the selection of the chair of a regional workforce board is subject to the approval of the Governor; providing that members of a regional workforce board serve at the pleasure of the Governor; requiring that staff of the Department of Economic Opportunity, under the direction of Workforce Florida, Inc., assign staff to review the performance of regional workforce boards; reinstating expired provisions that restrict the ability of a regional workforce board to use state or federal funds for meals, food, or beverages and that prohibit a board from using state or federal funds for entertainment costs or recreational activities for board members or employees; reinstating expired provisions that limit the ability of a regional workforce board to enter into contracts with a member, employee, or relative of a member or employee of the board; requiring a regional workforce board to develop an annual budget, subject to the approval of the chief elected official of the area; requiring the regional workforce board to submit its budget for review to Workforce Florida, Inc.; making technical and grammatical changes; amending s. 445.009, F.S.; deleting the expiration of a provision relating to the determination of the wages of a participant in an adult or youth work experience activity; making technical and grammatical changes; requiring Workforce Florida, Inc., to evaluate the means to establish a single, statewide-workforce system brand and to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor by a specified date; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; and Budget.

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By Senator Garcia—

**SB 1400**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to certification of emergency medical technicians and paramedics; amending s. 401.27, F.S.; revising requirements for certification or recertification as an emergency medical technician or paramedic; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Regulation; and Budget.

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By Senator Gardiner—

**SB 1402**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to education; amending s. 1001.03, F.S.; requiring that the State Board of Education enforce compliance with the law and state board rule by the Florida Virtual School; amending s. 1002.20, F.S.; providing that a full-time Florida Virtual School student who meets specified academic and conduct requirements is eligible to participate in extracurricular activities at the public school to which the student would be assigned or could choose to attend; providing that a virtual school student who meets specified



academic and conduct requirements is eligible to participate in extra-curricular activities at the public school to which the student would be assigned or could choose to attend, unless the activities are provided by the student's virtual school; amending s. 1002.321, F.S.; requiring that each student take at least one online course before graduating from high school, unless otherwise expressly excluded by law; amending s. 1002.37, F.S.; authorizing the Florida Virtual School to provide part-time and full-time instruction for students in kindergarten through grade 12; providing that the Florida Virtual School has the same authority and responsibilities of a school district under the Florida K-20 Education Code regarding the Florida Virtual School's full-time program; amending s. 1002.45, F.S.; revising provisions relating to virtual instruction programs; requiring that a school district that is eligible for a sparsity supplement, before a wealth adjustment, provide all enrolled public school students the option of participating in part-time and full-time virtual instruction programs; revising virtual instruction program provider qualifications to include an independent review of the curriculum for each course and student performance accountability; requiring that the person performing the independent review meet certain qualifications; requiring that a provider provide independent audit instructions documenting financial stability and sound business principles and demonstrate sufficient technology resources and technical support; revising provisions relating to funding; requiring that a school district provide to an approved provider information verifying that reported enrollment data is accurate for the students served by the provider; amending s. 1002.455, F.S.; phasing in eligibility for students to participate in kindergarten through grade 12 virtual instruction; deleting provisions relating to virtual instruction options for eligible students; amending s. 1003.428, F.S.; revising the general requirements for high school graduation; providing that the online course requirement does not apply to a student whose individual education plan indicates that an online course would be inappropriate or to a student who is enrolled in a Florida high school for 1 academic year or less; prohibiting a school district from requiring a student to take an online course outside the school day or in addition to the student's courses for any given semester; amending s. 1003.49, F.S.; authorizing the board of trustees of the Florida Virtual School to operate education programs for students in kindergarten through grade 12; amending s. 1003.57, F.S.; requiring that the Florida Virtual School fulfill the obligations of a school district for exceptional public school students who are enrolled in a full-time Florida Virtual School program; providing that a student whose individual education plan indicates that a full-time virtual education is inappropriate may not be enrolled in a Florida Virtual School full-time program; amending s. 1006.15, F.S.; providing standards for participation in interscholastic and intrascholastic extracurricular student activities by full-time students attending the Florida Virtual School; amending s. 1008.22, F.S.; requiring that all statewide end-of-course assessments be administered electronically; amending s. 1008.32, F.S.; requiring that the State Board of Education oversee the performance of the Florida Virtual School and ensure compliance with law and state board rule; revising provisions to conform to changes made by the act; amending ss. 1011.61 and 1011.62, F.S.; revising provisions relating to funding to conform to changes made by the act; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education Pre-K - 12; and Budget.

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By Senator Altman—

**SB 1404**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to title insurance; amending s. 626.2815, F.S.; specifying continuing education requirements for title insurance agents; authorizing the Department of Financial Services to contract with a private entity for services related to continuing education for title insurance agents; amending s. 626.841, F.S.; providing a definition for the term “agent in charge of a title insurance agency”; amending s. 626.8417, F.S.; requiring that certain attorney-owned entities that engage in business as a title insurance agency, other than the active practice of law, must be licensed as a title insurance agency with a designated agent in charge; amending s. 626.8418, F.S.; deleting specified financial security and bond requirements relating to an applicant for licensure as a title insurance agency; amending s. 626.8419, F.S.; increasing the amount of a fidelity bond that a title insurance agency must file with the department and limiting the amount of the deductible applicable to such bond; creating s. 626.8422, F.S.; specifying requirements that apply to title insurance agencies re-

lating to the designation of an agent in charge at specified locations; providing a penalty for failing to designate an agent in charge under certain circumstances; amending s. 626.8437, F.S.; specifying additional grounds to deny, suspend, revoke, or refuse to renew or continue the license or appointment of a title insurance agent or agency; amending s. 626.8473, F.S.; requiring an attorney serving as a title or real estate settlement agent to deposit and maintain certain funds in a separate trust account and permit the account to be audited by the applicable title insurer, unless prohibited by the rules of The Florida Bar; amending s. 627.777, F.S.; providing procedures and requirements relating to the approval or disapproval of title insurance forms by the department; creating s. 627.7815, F.S.; specifying requirements for submission of a document or information to the department in order for a person to claim that the document is a trade secret; requiring each page or portion to be labeled as a trade secret and be separated from non-trade secret material; requiring the submitting party to include an affidavit certifying certain information about the documents claimed to be trade secrets; providing that certain data submitted by a title insurance agent or title insurer is presumed to be a trade secret whether or not so designated; amending s. 627.782, F.S.; requiring title insurance agencies and certain insurers to submit specified information to the department to assist in the analysis of title insurance premium rates, title search costs, and the condition of the title insurance industry; creating s. 627.7985, F.S.; authorizing the department to adopt specified rules relating to title insurance; providing penalties for willful violation of any such rule; creating s. 689.263, F.S.; specifying requirements that a title insurance agent or agency must meet in order to distribute funds relating to certain real estate sales or purchases; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Judiciary; and Budget.

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By Senator Altman—

**SB 1406**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; creating s. 626.84195, F.S.; providing an exemption from public records requirements for financial information, such as revenue, loss, and expense data, which is supplied periodically by a licensed title insurance agency to the Department of Financial Services in order to assist the department in analyzing title insurance premium rates, title search costs, and the financial viability of the title insurance industry in the state; requiring that the information be supplied to the department by a specified date; requiring the department to adopt rules; authorizing the department to disclose the total combined responses of all agencies and reporting entities; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemption under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; providing a statement of public necessity; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Budget.

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By Senator Gardiner—

**SB 1408**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to timeshares; amending s. 721.02, F.S.; revising the purposes of ch. 721, F.S., to include the provision of certain disclosure; amending s. 721.05, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “resale service provider”; defining the terms “consumer resale timeshare interest,” “consumer timeshare reseller,” “resale broker,” “resale brokerage services,” “resale advertiser,” and “resale advertising service”; amending s. 721.20, F.S.; deleting a provision requiring resale service providers to provide certain fee or cost and listing information to timeshare interest owners; creating s. 721.205, F.S.; specifying information a resale service provider must provide to the consumer timeshare reseller; prohibiting unlicensed resale service providers from engaging in certain activities; prohibiting certain services related to the offering of resale advertising by resale advertisers; providing certain restrictions on the offering of resale advertising services by resale advertisers; providing voidability of certain contracts; providing duties of a resale service provider; providing that the provision of resale advertising services in this state constitutes operating, conducting, engaging in, or carrying on a business or business venture for purposes relating to jurisdiction of the courts of this state; providing penalties; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; and Budget.

By Senator Flores—

**SJR 1410**—A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Section 4 of Article VII and the creation of a new section in Article XII of the State Constitution to authorize the Legislature to authorize counties, municipalities, special districts, and school districts to require the property appraiser to disregard the installation of video and other surveillance security cameras and related equipment in the determination of the assessed value of real property.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Judiciary; and Budget.

By Senator Fasano—

**SB 1412**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to prescription drugs; providing a short title; providing legislative findings and intent; providing definitions; prohibiting a person engaged in distribution of prescription drugs from selling prescription drugs below wholesale cost to a pharmacy provider at an outlet if such sale injures competition; prohibiting a pharmacy benefits manager, third-party payer, qualified plan, or Medicaid provider from selling prescription drugs in an outlet if such sale injures competition; prohibiting an affiliate of a qualified plan from acting as a member of a provider network for the qualified plan; prohibiting a pharmacy benefits manager or an affiliate from acting also as a member of a provider network established or administered by the pharmacy benefits manager; prohibiting a prescription drug wholesaler or distributor from selling a prescription drug to a retail pharmacy at a price that is below the price charged by the wholesaler or distributor under written contract of a like brand and quality of the prescription drug under certain circumstances; providing that an isolated, inadvertent incident involving certain prohibited activities is not a violation of the act; prohibiting a person engaged in distributing prescription drugs from reselling or knowingly receiving for resale any prescription drugs at a price lower than the price at which the seller contemporaneously sells prescription drugs of like brand and quality to another retail outlet on the same level of distribution, in the same class of trade, and within the same relevant geographic market as the purchaser; providing that a sale of prescription drugs of like brand and quality at different prices to persons at the same level of distribution is not an unlawful discriminatory practice; prohibiting a prescription drug wholesaler or distributor from fixing or maintaining the retail price of prescription drugs at a retail outlet supplied by the wholesaler or distributor; providing a civil penalty that may be assessed and recovered in a civil action brought by a pharmacy provider; authorizing the court to award attorney fees; providing for disqualification from the Medicaid program for a violation of the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Regulation; Judiciary; and Budget.

By Senator Altman—

**SB 1414**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to cigarette products of nonsettling manufacturers; creating s. 210.23, F.S.; providing the purpose of the act; creating s. 210.232, F.S.; defining terms; creating s. 210.234, F.S.; imposing a fee on the sale, receipt, purchase, possession, consumption, handling, distribution, and use of nonsettling manufacturer cigarettes that are required to have a stamp affixed or stamp insignia applied to the package of cigarettes on which tax is otherwise required to be paid; providing that the fee imposed is in addition to any other privilege, license, fee, or tax required or imposed by state law; prescribing methods to affix a stamp or insignia to the tobacco products; creating s. 210.236, F.S.; providing the fee rate for nonsettling manufacturers; creating s. 210.238, F.S.; requiring the Division of Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to post a directory listing of all settling manufacturers that have provided accurate certifications of their products in order to calculate their payments under the tobacco settlement agreement for the relevant year on the Internet website of the division; providing that any cigarette of a brand family not on the directory list be presumptively considered a nonsettling manufacturer product; creating s. 210.240, F.S.;

requiring each dealer, agent, and distributing agent to file a report; requiring the report to include certain specified information; creating s. 210.245, F.S.; providing penalties for a nonsettling manufacturer that fails to pay the mandated fees; creating s. 210.246, F.S.; providing for application of the act; creating s. 210.248, F.S.; authorizing the division to adopt rules; creating s. 210.249, F.S.; providing conditions for imposing the fee on subsequent participating manufacturers who already make payments on Florida sales of cigarettes pursuant to the master settlement agreement; defining terms; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Judiciary; Budget; and Rules.

By Senator Bogdanoff—

**SB 1416**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to unemployment compensation; amending s. 443.011, F.S.; revising a short title to rename “unemployment compensation” as “reemployment assistance”; amending s. 443.012, F.S.; renaming the Unemployment Appeals Commission as the Reemployment Assistance Appeals Commission; amending s. 443.036, F.S.; providing a definition for the term “reemployment assistance”; revising references to conform to changes made by the act; amending s. 443.091, F.S.; providing scoring requirements relating to initial skills reviews; providing for workforce training for certain eligible claimants; providing reporting requirements; providing work search requirements for certain claimants; revising references to conform to changes made by the act; amending s. 443.101, F.S.; clarifying how a disqualification for benefits for fraud is imposed; revising references to conform to changes made by the act; amending s. 443.131, F.S.; prohibiting benefits from being charged to the employment record of an employer that is forced to lay off workers as a result of a manmade disaster of national significance; revising references to conform to changes made by the act; amending s. 443.151, F.S.; revising the statute of limitations related to the collection of unemployment compensation benefits overpayments; revising references to conform to changes made by the act; amending s. 443.171, F.S.; deleting an exemption from public records requirements for unemployment compensation records and reports; revising references to conform to changes made by the act; amending s. 443.1715, F.S.; revising an exemption from public records requirements for unemployment compensation records and reports; revising references to conform to changes made by the act; amending ss. 20.60, 27.52, 40.24, 45.031, 55.204, 57.082, 61.046, 61.1824, 61.30, 69.041, 77.041, 110.205, 110.502, 120.80, 125.9502, 212.096, 213.053, 216.292, 220.03, 220.181, 220.191, 220.194, 222.15, 222.16, 255.20, 288.075, 288.1045, 288.106, 288.1081, 288.1089, 334.30, 408.809, 409.2563, 409.2576, 414.295, 435.06, 440.12, 440.15, 440.381, 440.42, 443.051, 443.071, 443.111, 443.1113, 443.1116, 443.1215, 443.1216, 443.1312, 443.1313, 443.1315, 443.1316, 443.1317, 443.141, 443.163, 443.17161, 443.181, 443.191, 443.221, 445.009, 445.016, 446.50, 448.110, 450.31, 450.33, 468.529, 553.791, 624.509, 679.4061, 679.1821, 895.02, 896.101, 921.0022, 946.513, 946.523, 985.618, 1003.496, 1008.39, and 1008.41, F.S.; revising references to conform to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; and Budget.

By Senator Bogdanoff—

**SB 1418**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to health insurance providers; amending s. 627.6471, F.S.; requiring an insurer to provide 6 months’ notice to a policyholder if a preferred provider is terminated from a preferred provider network; providing exceptions; amending s. 641.31, F.S.; requiring a health maintenance organization to provide 6 months’ notice to a subscriber if a network provider is terminated from a provider network; providing exceptions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Health Regulation; and Budget.

By Senator Latvala—

**SB 1420**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to pari-mutuels; amending s. 550.002, F.S.; redefining the term “full schedule of live racing or games” to increase the minimum number of performances re-

quired during certain weeks at a permitholder's facility under a single admission charge; repealing s. 550.0745, F.S., relating to the conversion of a pari-mutuel permit to a summer jai alai permit; amending s. 550.09512, F.S.; deleting provisions related to the voiding and reissue of a harness horse permit for failure to operate or pay tax on handle; deleting a severability clause; amending s. 550.09515, F.S.; deleting provisions related to the voiding and reissue of a thoroughbred horse permit for failure to operate or pay tax on handle; deleting a severability clause and an obsolete provision; amending s. 550.3345, F.S.; specifying a full schedule of live racing for a not-for-profit thoroughbred permitholder; amending s. 550.375, F.S.; removing certain time restrictions for permits or licenses for harness racing following a transfer of location; amending s. 550.5251, F.S.; removing certain time restrictions for permits or licenses for thoroughbred racing; amending s. 550.6308, F.S.; reducing the number of days of thoroughbred horse sales required for licensure for limited intertrack wagering at a permanent sales facility; removing a provision requiring that thoroughbred sales be conducted for 3 consecutive years and nonwagering thoroughbred racing with a certain purse amount be conducted for 2 consecutive years at the permanent sales facility in order to qualify for licensure; removing a provision allowing only one such license to be issued and prohibiting licenses from being issued within a specified proximity of a thoroughbred permitholder's track; removing provisions governing the selection of a single licensee; amending s. 849.086, F.S.; removing a provision allowing certain permitholders to amend their annual applications for licensure to include operation of a cardroom; requiring an applicant for renewal of a cardroom license to conduct a certain percentage of its total number of live performances during the immediately prior state fiscal year and to conduct at least a full schedule of live racing; providing a statement of legislative intent; providing a 6-month opportunity for the conversion of a quarter horse permit to a thoroughbred permit and the reissuance of a quarter horse permit; providing criteria and limitations; authorizing a permitholder that is converting its quarter horse permit to a thoroughbred permit to apply for and receive another quarter horse pari-mutuel permit for the same location; providing for future expiration of such provisions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Budget; and Rules.

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By Senator Altman—

**SB 1422**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public school instruction; amending s. 1003.42, F.S.; requiring that members of the instructional staff of public schools provide instruction to students about the events surrounding the terrorist attacks occurring on September 11, 2001, and the impact of those events on the nation; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education Pre-K - 12; and Budget.

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By Senator Sobel—

**SB 1424**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to veterans affairs; creating s. 295.189, F.S.; providing a short title; creating the "Veterans Protection Act"; providing definitions; prohibiting a person from acting as a representative, agent, or attorney in the preparation, presentation, or prosecution of any claim on behalf of a veteran of the United States Armed Forces under any law administered by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs unless such person has been issued proper credentials or accredited for such purposes; prohibiting a person from soliciting, contracting for, charging, or receiving any fee or compensation in the preparation, presentation, or prosecution of any claim on behalf of a veteran of the United States Armed Forces under any law administered by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs without proper credentials or accreditation; prohibiting failure to abide by any provision of an assurance of voluntary compliance entered into under the act; providing powers and duties of the Department of Veterans' Affairs; providing enforcement powers; requiring the department to adopt rules establishing civil penalties; providing that a notice of violation issued under the act shall provide the respondent with a reasonable time in which to enter into an assurance of voluntary compliance with the department and pay amounts required under the assurance of voluntary compliance; providing procedures and requirements with respect to assurances of voluntary compliance; providing for issuance of a notice of

violation by a department investigator; providing procedures and requirements with respect to notices of violation; providing that respondents to a notice of violation may request a hearing before a hearing officer to contest the violation and any penalties imposed; providing procedures and requirements with respect to such hearings; requiring the department to adopt rules for the selection, appointment, and duties of hearing officers and for procedures with respect to hearings on violations; providing that the department or a respondent may appeal an order of a hearing officer; providing a penalty for violation of the act; providing construction with respect to federal law; specifying controlling provisions with respect to conflicts between the act and federal law; providing for severability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Military Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security; and Budget.

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By Senator Detert—

**SB 1426**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the comprehensive statewide water conservation program; amending s. 373.227, F.S.; repealing an obsolete provision requiring the Department of Environmental Protection to submit a specified report to the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the appropriate substantive committees of the Legislature; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Agriculture; and Budget.

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By Senator Smith—

**SB 1428**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the renewal of a commercial lines insurance policy; amending s. 627.4133, F.S.; providing that the transfer of a policy to certain other insurers is considered a renewal of the policy rather than a cancellation or nonrenewal; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; and Budget.

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By Senator Detert—

**SB 1430**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to basins; amending s. 373.0693, F.S.; repealing provisions relating to the formation and designation of the Manasota Basin; repealing provisions relating to the termination of the Oklawaha River Basin and the Greater St. Johns River Basin; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Agriculture; and Budget.

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By Senator Bennett—

**SB 1432**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to bottled water; creating s. 500.458, F.S.; requiring the Department of Environmental Protection to monitor certain consumptive use permits; imposing a fee on certain water extracted; directing proceeds to the Water Protection and Sustainability Program Trust Fund; providing penalties for non-payment of fees; directing the department to adopt rules; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Agriculture; and Budget.

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By Senator Gibson—

**SB 1434**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the tax refund program for qualified target industry businesses; amending s. 288.106, F.S.; permitting a business that fails to satisfy the terms of its agreement with the Department of Economic Opportunity to apply for a prorated tax refund; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; and Budget.

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By Senator Braynon—

**SB 1436**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to abusive workplace environments; creating the “Abusive Workplace Environment Act”; providing legislative findings and purposes for the act; defining terms; prohibiting a public employer from subjecting his or her employee to an abusive workplace environment; declaring that an employer violates the act if he or she subjects an employee to an abusive workplace environment or has knowledge that any person has subjected an employee of the employer to an abusive workplace environment and has failed to exercise reasonable care to prevent and promptly correct the abusive conduct; prohibiting an employer from retaliating in any manner against an employee because the employee has opposed an unlawful employment practice or has made a charge, testified, assisted, or participated in any manner in an investigation or proceeding; providing that an employer may assert an affirmative defense against the employee under certain circumstances; providing that an employee may be individually liable if he or she commits an unlawful employment practice; providing that an employee may assert an affirmative defense against an employee or employer under certain circumstances; providing that a violation of the act may be enforced solely by a private right of action; requiring that a civil action filed under the act must be commenced no later than 1 year after the date of the last incident that is part of the alleged unlawful employment practice; providing that if a person is found to have committed an unlawful employment practice that culminated in an adverse employment action, the court may enjoin the person from engaging in the unlawful employment practice and may order any other relief that it deems appropriate, including punitive damages and attorney fees; providing that if an employer has been found to have committed an unlawful employment practice but the act did not culminate in an adverse employment action, the employer is liable for damages for emotional distress but is not subject to punitive damages; providing that the remedies provided by the act are cumulative to other laws; providing for an exception for workers’ compensation awards; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Community Affairs; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Budget.

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By Senator Braynon—

**SB 1438**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to prescription labeling; amending s. 456.42, F.S.; revising provisions specifying the information required to be included in written or electronically generated prescriptions for medicinal drugs; amending s. 465.186, F.S.; revising provisions specifying the information required to be included on the label of a container containing a medicinal drug; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Regulation; and Budget.

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By Senators Braynon, Flores, and Altman—

**SB 1440**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to unemployment compensation; amending s. 443.036, F.S.; updating and revising definitions; amending s. 443.101, F.S., relating to disqualification for benefits; revising the definition of the term “good cause”; amending ss. 443.1216 and 443.131, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; and Budget.

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By Senator Braynon—

**SB 1442**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Black Business Loan Program; amending s. 288.7102, F.S.; revising the recertification and audit periods for eligible recipients of the Black Business Loan Program; authorizing existing recipients to submit certain information to the Department of Economic Opportunity instead of financial audits under certain circumstances; authorizing recipients to redress audit findings within a specified period; providing term of and revising re-

quirements for funding agreements between recipients and the department; revising the entities with whom the department must consult before adopting rules; revising limits on the use of funds for technical support to black business enterprises and direct administrative costs; conforming provisions; reenacting s. 288.7094(2), F.S., relating to black business investment corporations, to incorporate changes made by the act in a reference thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; and Budget.

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By Senator Braynon—

**SB 1444**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to specialty license plates; amending ss. 320.08056 and 320.08058, F.S.; creating a Sun, Sea, and Smiles license plate; establishing an annual use fee for the plate; providing for the distribution of use fees received from the sale of such plates; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; and Budget.

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By Senator Braynon—

**SM 1446**—A memorial to the Congress of the United States, urging Congress to admit the District of Columbia as the 51st state of the United States of America.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Rules Subcommittee on Ethics and Elections; and Rules.

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By Senator Braynon—

**SB 1448**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to family support personnel policies; amending s. 110.1522, F.S.; requiring the model rule establishing family support personnel policies to provide for a specified amount of leave for an employee who has a family member with a serious health condition; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Budget.

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By Senator Braynon—

**SB 1450**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the allocation and expenditure of state lottery revenues; amending s. 24.121, F.S.; requiring that certain unencumbered funds of the Educational Enhancement Trust Fund be allocated to voluntary prekindergarten education programs; providing for the use of funds; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education Pre-K - 12; and Budget.

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By Senator Diaz de la Portilla—

**SB 1452**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to credit card surcharges; amending s. 125.01, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; creating ss. 125.01035 and 166.0433, F.S.; prohibiting counties and municipalities from prohibiting the owners or operators of certain passenger vehicles for hire from imposing credit card surcharges on passenger fares; amending s. 501.0117, F.S.; exempting certain passenger vehicle fares from the prohibition on the imposition of credit card surcharges; conforming provisions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; and Community Affairs.

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By Senator Diaz de la Portilla—

**SB 1454**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to recovery of damages for medical negligence; repealing s. 768.21(8), F.S., relating to damages recoverable by specified persons with respect to claims for medical negligence; amending ss. 400.023, 400.0235, and 429.295, F.S.; revising

provisions to conform to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Regulation; Judiciary; and Budget.

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By Senator Diaz de la Portilla—

**SB 1456**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the conservation of wildlife; providing for certain zoos and aquariums to apply to the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund for authorization to use state lands for the purpose of conducting enhanced research; providing information that must be provided in the application; providing criteria that the board must consider in reviewing the application; requiring the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission to assist the board and to adopt rules; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; and Budget.

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By Senator Diaz de la Portilla—

**SB 1458**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to dispute resolution; amending s. 682.01, F.S.; revising the short title of the “Florida Arbitration Code” to the “Revised Florida Arbitration Code”; creating s. 682.011, F.S.; providing definitions; creating s. 682.012, F.S.; specifying how a person gives notice to another person and how a person receives notice; creating s. 682.013, F.S.; specifying the applicability of the revised code; creating s. 682.014, F.S.; providing that an agreement may waive or vary the effect of statutory arbitration provisions; providing exceptions; creating s. 682.015, F.S.; providing for petitions for judicial relief; providing for service of notice of an initial petition for such relief; amending s. 682.02, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the making of arbitration agreements; requiring a court to decide whether an agreement to arbitrate exists or a controversy is subject to an agreement to arbitrate; providing for determination of specified issues by an arbitrator; providing for continuation of an arbitration proceeding pending resolution of certain issues by a court; revising provisions relating to applicability of provisions to certain interlocal agreements; amending s. 682.03, F.S.; revising provisions relating to proceedings to compel and to stay arbitration; creating s. 682.031, F.S.; providing for a court to order provisional remedies before an arbitrator is appointed and is authorized and able to act; providing for orders for provisional remedies by an arbitrator; providing that a party does not waive a right of arbitration by seeking provisional remedies in court; creating s. 682.032, F.S.; providing for initiation of arbitration; providing that a person waives any objection to lack of or insufficiency of notice by appearing at the arbitration hearing; providing an exception; creating s. 682.033, F.S.; providing for consolidation of separate arbitration proceedings as to all or some of the claims in certain circumstances; prohibiting consolidation if the agreement prohibits consolidation; amending s. 682.04, F.S.; revising provisions relating to appointment of an arbitrator; prohibiting an individual with an interest in the outcome of an arbitration from serving as a neutral arbitrator; creating s. 682.041, F.S.; requiring certain disclosures of interests and relationships by a person before accepting appointment as an arbitrator; providing a continuing obligation to make such disclosures; providing for objections to an arbitrator based on information disclosed; providing for vacation of an award if an arbitrator failed to disclose a fact as required; providing that an arbitrator appointed as a neutral arbitrator who does not disclose certain interests or relationships is presumed to act with partiality for specified purposes; requiring parties to substantially comply with agreed to procedures of an arbitration organization or any other procedures for challenges to arbitrators before an award is made in order to seek vacation of an award on specified grounds; amending s. 682.05, F.S.; requiring that if there is more than one arbitrator, the powers of an arbitrator must be exercised by a majority of the arbitrators; requiring all arbitrators to conduct the arbitration hearing; creating s. 682.051, F.S.; providing immunity from civil liability for an arbitrator or an arbitration organization acting in the capacity of an arbitrator; providing that this immunity is supplemental to any immunity under other law; providing that failure to make a required disclosure does not remove immunity; providing that an arbitrator or representative of an arbitration organization is not competent to testify and may not be required to produce records concerning the arbitration; providing exceptions; providing for awarding an arbitrator, arbitration organization, or representative of an arbitration organization

with reasonable attorney fees and expenses of litigation under certain circumstances; amending s. 682.06, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the conduct of arbitration hearings; providing for summary disposition, notice of hearings, adjournment, and rights of a party to the arbitration proceeding; requiring appointment of a replacement arbitrator in certain circumstances; amending s. 682.07, F.S.; providing that a party to an arbitration proceeding may be represented by an attorney; amending s. 682.08, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the issuance, service, and enforcement of subpoenas; revising provisions relating to depositions; authorizing an arbitrator to permit discovery in certain circumstances; authorizing an arbitrator to order compliance with discovery; authorizing protective orders by an arbitrator; providing for applicability of laws compelling a person under subpoena to testify and all fees for attending a judicial proceeding, a deposition, or a discovery proceeding as a witness; providing for court enforcement of a subpoena or discovery-related order; providing for witness fees; creating s. 682.081, F.S.; providing for judicial enforcement of a preaward ruling by an arbitrator in certain circumstances; amending s. 682.09, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the record needed for an award; revising provisions relating to the time within which an award must be made; amending s. 682.10, F.S.; revising provisions relating to requirements for a motion to modify or correct an award; amending s. 682.11, F.S.; revising provisions relating to fees and expenses of arbitration; authorizing punitive damages and other exemplary relief and remedies; amending s. 682.12, F.S.; revising provisions relating to confirmation of an award; amending s. 682.13, F.S.; revising provisions relating to grounds for vacating an award; revising provisions relating to a motion for vacating an award; providing for a rehearing in certain circumstances; amending s. 682.14, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the time for moving to modify or correct an award; deleting references to the term “umpire”; revising a provision concerning confirmation of awards; amending s. 682.15, F.S.; revising provisions relating to a court order confirming, vacating without directing a rehearing, modifying, or correcting an award; providing for award of costs and attorney fees in certain circumstances; repealing s. 682.16, F.S., relating to judgment roll and docketing of certain orders; repealing s. 682.17, F.S., relating to application to court; repealing s. 682.18, F.S., relating to the definition of the term “court” and jurisdiction; creating s. 682.181, F.S.; providing for jurisdiction relating to the revised code; amending s. 682.19, F.S.; revising provisions relating to venue for actions relating to the code; amending s. 682.20, F.S.; providing that an appeal may be taken from an order denying confirmation of an award unless the court has entered an order under specified provisions; providing that all other orders denying confirmation of an award are final orders; repealing s. 682.21, F.S., relating to the previous code not applying retroactively; repealing s. 682.22, F.S., relating to conflict of laws; creating s. 682.23, F.S.; specifying the relationship of the code to the Electronic Signatures in Global and National Commerce Act; creating s. 682.24, F.S.; specifying the effective date of the revised code; providing for applicability; creating s. 682.25, F.S.; providing that the revised code does not apply to any dispute involving child custody, visitation, or child support; amending s. 44.104, F.S.; deleting references to binding arbitration from provisions providing for voluntary trial resolution; providing for temporary relief; revising provisions relating to procedures in voluntary trial resolution; providing that a judgment is reviewable in the same manner as a judgment in a civil action; deleting provisions relating to applicability of the harmless error doctrine; providing limitations on the jurisdiction of a trial resolution judge; providing for the use of juries; providing for the title of a trial resolution judge and the use of judicial robes; amending s. 44.107, F.S.; providing immunity for voluntary trial resolution judges serving under specified provisions; amending ss. 440.1926 and 489.1402, F.S.; conforming cross-references; amending s. 731.401, F.S.; revising a reference to binding arbitration under a specified provision; providing directives to the Division of Statutory Revision, including redesignating the title of chapter 44, Florida Statutes, as “Alternative Dispute Resolution”; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Budget.

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By Senator Simmons—

**SB 1460**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to preference in award of state contracts; amending s. 287.084, F.S.; expanding provisions that authorize an agency, county, municipality, school district, or other political subdivision of the state to provide preferential consideration to a Florida business in awarding competitively bid contracts to purchase

personal property to include the purchase of construction services; providing that for specified competitive solicitations the authority to grant preference supersedes any local ordinance or regulation which grants preference to specified vendors; requiring a county, municipality, school district, or other political subdivision to make specified disclosures in competitive solicitation documents; providing construction; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Education Pre-K - 12; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Budget.

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By Senator Diaz de la Portilla—

**SB 1462**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to American Founders' Month; providing a short title; creating s. 683.147, F.S.; designating the month of September as "American Founders' Month"; authorizing the Governor to annually issue a proclamation designating the month and urging participation; amending s. 1003.44, F.S.; requiring district school boards to celebrate the American Founders and the principles inherent in the country's founding documents by observing American Founders' Month; specifying the focus of instruction during the month; providing that instruction may be integrated into the existing school curriculum; requiring distribution to school personnel of certain information; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education Pre-K - 12; and Budget.

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By Senator Gaetz—

**SB 1464**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; creating s. 119.035, F.S.; declaring that it is the policy of this state that the provisions of ch. 119, F.S., apply to officers-elect upon their election to public office; requiring that such officers-elect adopt and implement reasonable measures to ensure compliance with the public records obligations set forth in ch. 119, F.S.; requiring that the public records of an officer-elect be maintained in accordance with the policies and procedures of the public office to which the officer has been elected; requiring that online and electronic communication and recordkeeping systems preserve the records on such systems so as to not impair the ability of the public to inspect or copy such public records; requiring that the officer-elect, as soon as practicable upon taking the oath of office, deliver to the person or persons responsible for records and information management, all public records kept or received in the transaction of official business during the period following election to public office; amending s. 286.011, F.S.; revising public meeting requirements to apply the requirements to meetings with or attended by officers-elect; reenacting s. 112.3215(8)(b), F.S., relating to lobbying before the executive branch or the Constitution Revision Commission, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 286.011, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Budget.

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By Senator Braynon—

**SB 1466**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to health care; creating the "Florida Hospital Patient Protection Act"; providing legislative findings; providing definitions; providing minimum staffing level requirements for the ratio of direct care registered nurses to patients in a health care facility; requiring that each health care facility implement a staffing plan; prohibiting the imposition of mandatory overtime and certain other actions by a health care facility; specifying the required nurse-to-patient ratios for each type of care provided; prohibiting the use of video cameras or monitors by a health care facility as a substitute for the required level of care; requiring that the chief nursing officer of a health care facility prepare a written staffing plan that meets the staffing levels required by the act; requiring that a health care facility annually evaluate its actual staffing levels and update the staffing plan based on the evaluation; requiring that certain documentation be submitted to the Agency for Health Care Administration and made available for public inspection; requiring that the agency develop uniform standards for use by health care facilities in establishing nurse staffing requirements; providing requirements for the committee members who are appointed to develop the uniform standards; requiring health care

facilities to annually report certain information to the agency and post a notice containing such information in each unit of the facility; prohibiting a health care facility from assigning unlicensed personnel to perform functions or tasks that are performed by a licensed or registered nurse; specifying those actions that constitute professional practice by a direct care registered nurse; requiring that patient assessment be performed only by a direct care registered nurse; authorizing a direct care registered nurse to assign certain specified activities to other licensed or unlicensed nursing staff; prohibiting a health care facility from deploying technology that limits certain care provided by a direct care registered nurse; providing that it is a duty and right of a direct care registered nurse to act as the patient's advocate; providing certain requirements with respect to such duty; authorizing a direct care registered nurse to refuse to perform certain activities if he or she determines that it is not in the best interests of the patient; providing that a direct care registered nurse may refuse to accept an assignment under certain circumstances; prohibiting a health care facility from discharging, discriminating, or retaliating against a nurse based on such refusal; providing that a direct care registered nurse has a right of action against a health care facility that violates certain provisions of the act; requiring that the Agency for Health Care Administration establish a toll-free telephone hotline to provide information and to receive reports of violations of the act; requiring that certain information be provided to each patient who is admitted to a health care facility; prohibiting a health care facility from interfering with the right of nurses to organize or bargain collectively; authorizing the agency to impose fines for violations of the act; requiring that the agency post in its website information regarding health care facilities that have violated the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Regulation; and Budget.

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By Senators Montford and Gaetz—

**SB 1468**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the opening and closing of public schools; amending s. 1001.42, F.S.; authorizing a district school board to set an opening date for schools in the district to accommodate the completion of student classwork and assessments during the fall term; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education Pre-K - 12; and Budget.

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By Senator Norman—

**SB 1470**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the repeal of administrative rules; amending s. 120.536, F.S.; providing for repeal of administrative rules upon the repeal of the law implemented; creating s. 120.555, F.S.; providing a process for summary repeal of administrative rules that are no longer in effect; nullifying specific administrative rules adopted by the Northwest Florida Water Management District, Suwannee River Water Management District, St. Johns River Water Management District, Southwest Florida Water Management District, South Florida Water Management District, the former Department of Commerce, the former Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services, Health Program Office, the former Advisory Council on Intergovernmental Relations, or the former Department of Labor and Employment Security; directing the Department of Health and the Department of Education to initiate necessary rulemaking before the effective date of specified rule nullifications; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Budget.

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By Senator Richter—

**SB 1472**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to capital formation for infrastructure projects; amending ss. 288.9621, 288.9622, and 288.9623, F.S.; conforming a short title, revising legislative findings and intent, and providing definitions for the Florida Capital Formation Act; conforming cross-references; creating s. 288.9627, F.S.; providing for creation of the Florida Infrastructure Fund Partnership; providing the partnership's purpose and duties; providing for management of the partnership by the Florida Opportunity Fund; authorizing the fund to lend moneys to the partnership; requiring the partnership to raise funds

from investment partners; providing for commitment agreements with and issuance of certificates to investment partners; authorizing the partnership to invest in certain infrastructure projects; requiring the partnership to submit an annual report to the Governor and Legislature; prohibiting the partnership from pledging the credit or taxing power of the state or its political subdivisions; prohibiting the partnership from investing in projects with or accepting investments from certain companies; creating s. 288.9628, F.S.; creating the Florida Infrastructure Investment Trust; providing for powers and duties, a board of trustees, and an administrative officer of the trust; providing for the trust's issuance of certificates to investment partners; specifying that the certificates guarantee the availability of tax credits under certain conditions; authorizing the trust and the fund to charge fees; limiting the amount of tax credits that may be claimed or applied against state taxes in any year; providing for the redemption of certificates or sale of tax credits; providing for the issuance of the tax credits by the Department of Revenue; specifying the taxes against which the credits may be applied; limiting the period within which tax credits may be used; providing for the state's obligation for use of the tax credits; limiting the liability of the fund; providing for the transferability of certificates and tax credits; requiring the department to provide a certain written assurance to the trust under certain circumstances; specifying that certain provisions regulating securities transactions do not apply to certificates and tax credits transferred or sold under the act; amending s. 213.053, F.S.; authorizing the department to disclose certain information to the partnership and the trust relative to certain tax credits; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; and Budget.

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By Senator Gibson—

**SB 1474**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public health; creating the expedited partner therapy pilot project in Duval and Gadsden Counties; providing an exemption from specified rules and statutory requirements for the pilot program; providing for training of physicians and patient education; requiring the pilot project to be funded by the existing budget of the pilot project area or by developing partnerships; providing for the use of funds; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Regulation; and Budget.

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By Senator Richter—

**SB 1476**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to annuities; amending s. 627.4554, F.S.; providing that recommendations relating to annuities made by an insurer or its agents apply to all consumers not just to senior consumers; revising and providing definitions; revising the duties of insurers and agents; providing that recommendations must be based on consumer suitability information; deleting requirements relating to information that must be collected on certain forms adopted by rule of the Department of Financial Services; revising the information relating to annuities that must be provided by the insurer or its agent to the consumer; revising the requirements for monitoring contractors that are providing certain functions for the insurer relating to the insurer's system for supervising recommendations; revising provisions relating to the relationship between this act and the federal Financial Industry Regulatory Authority; providing training requirements for agents selling annuities; deleting a provision providing a cap on surrender or deferred sales charges; amending s. 626.99, F.S.; deleting certain annuity policy requirements applicable to persons 65 years of age or older; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; and Budget.

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By Senator Montford—

**SB 1478**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to school choice programs; creating s. 1008.226, F.S.; providing legislative findings and intent; providing for a student to enter a public school at any time following participation in a school choice program; specifying the programs that constitute school choice programs; requiring that the student take a nationally norm-referenced assessment test for diagnostic purposes and

for purposes of placing the student in the appropriate classes or grade; requiring that each school district administer the assessment and report the results of the assessment to the student's parent and the applicable school choice program or school; requiring that the Department of Education select the assessment and pay for it if requested by a school district; requiring that the department submit an annual report to the Governor and Legislature by a specified date; providing requirements for the report; requiring that the department publish the annual report on its Internet website; requiring that the State Board of Education adopt rules; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education Pre-K - 12; and Budget.

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By Senator Lynn—

**SB 1480**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to pregnancy resource centers; creating the "Pregnancy Confidentiality Act"; defining the terms "client," "client records," and "pregnancy resource center"; providing that records of clients of pregnancy resource centers may be disclosed only if the client or his or her legal representative requests or consents, in writing, to the release of such information; providing penalties; providing for civil relief; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Regulation; and Budget.

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By Senator Braynon—

**SM 1482**—A memorial to the Congress of the United States recognizing the death of Osama bin Laden as a positive step forward in the war on terrorism and declaring a continuing unity of commitment against terrorism, its crimes against humanity, and al-Qaeda.

—was referred to the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability.

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By Senator Braynon—

**SB 1484**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to Florida Democracy Day; amending s. 110.117, F.S.; providing that the day of a general election is a paid holiday observed by state branches and agencies; naming the holiday "Florida Democracy Day"; reenacting ss. 110.219(5)(c), 551.116, and 849.086(7)(b), F.S., relating to state employee attendance and leave and days and hours of operation of slot machine gaming areas and cardrooms, respectively, to incorporate the amendment to s. 110.117, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Rules Subcommittee on Ethics and Elections; Rules; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Budget.

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By Senator Braynon—

**SM 1486**—A memorial to the Congress of the United States, urging Congress to pass House Resolution 2918, the Taiwan Policy Act of 2011.

—was referred to the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability.

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By Senator Fasano—

**SB 1488**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to regional workforce boards; amending s. 445.007, F.S.; reinstating provisions that restrict the use of state and federal funds provided to the boards and that require contracts to be approved by Workforce Florida, Inc.; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; and Budget.

By Senator Dockery—

**SJR 1490**—A joint resolution proposing the creation of Section 28 of Article I and amendment of Section 9 of Article III of the State Constitution to authorize and establish requirements for a citizens' veto referendum and revise the effective dates of laws to conform to the citizens' veto referendum.

—was referred to the Committees on Rules Subcommittee on Ethics and Elections; Rules; and Judiciary.

By Senator Evers—

**SB 1492**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to alcoholic beverages; repealing s. 562.34, F.S., relating to seizure and forfeiture of certain alcoholic beverage containers; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; and Budget.

By Senator Evers—

**SB 1494**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to driver licenses; repealing s. 322.58, F.S., relating to the effect of classified licensure on persons holding a chauffeur's license; repealing provisions for licensure of such persons under the appropriate license classification; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; and Budget.

By Senator Evers—

**SB 1496**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to agritourism; providing legislative intent to eliminate duplication of regulatory authority over agritourism; prohibiting a local government from prohibiting, restricting, regulating, or otherwise limiting an activity of agritourism; providing an exception; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Agriculture; and Community Affairs.

By Senator Ring—

**SB 1498**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to state technology; abolishing the Agency for Enterprise Information Technology; transferring the personnel, functions, and funds of the Agency for Enterprise Information Technology to the Agency for State Technology; transferring specified personnel, functions, and funds relating to technology programs from the Department of Management Services to the Agency for State Technology; transferring the Northwood Shared Resource Center and the Southwood Shared Resource Center to the agency; repealing s. 14.204, F.S., relating to the Agency for Enterprise Information Technology; creating s. 14.206, F.S.; creating the Agency for State Technology; providing for organization of the agency; providing for an executive director who shall be the state's Chief Information Officer; providing duties and responsibilities of the agency and of the executive director; requiring certain status reports to the Governor, the Cabinet, and the Legislature; authorizing the agency to adopt rules; amending s. 282.0041, F.S.; revising and providing definitions of terms as used in the Enterprise Information Technology Services Management Act; amending s. 282.0055, F.S.; revising provisions for assignment of information technology services; directing the agency to create a road map for enterprise information technology service consolidation and a comprehensive transition plan; requiring the transition plan to be submitted to the Governor and Cabinet and the Legislature by a certain date; providing duties for state agencies relating to the transition plan; prohibiting state agencies from certain technology-related activities; providing for exceptions; amending s. 282.0056, F.S.; providing for development by the agency executive director of a biennial State Information Technology Strategic Plan for approval by the Governor and the Cabinet; directing state agencies to submit their own information technology plans and any requested information to the agency; revising provisions for development of work plans and implementation plans; revising provisions for reporting on achievements; amending s. 282.201,

F.S.; revising provisions for a state data center system; providing legislative intent; directing the agency to provide recommendations to the Governor and Legislature relating to changes to the schedule for the consolidations of state agency data centers; providing duties of a state agency consolidating a data center into a primary data center; suspending the consolidations scheduled for state agency data centers for a specified period; amending s. 282.203, F.S.; revising duties of primary data centers; removing provisions for boards of trustees to head primary data centers; requiring a memorandum of understanding between the primary data center and the participating state agency; limiting the term of the memorandum; providing for failure to enter into a memorandum; repealing s. 282.204, F.S., relating to Northwood Shared Resource Center; repealing s. 282.205, F.S., relating to Southwood Shared Resource Center; creating s. 282.206, F.S.; establishing the Fletcher Shared Resource Center within the Department of Financial Services to provide enterprise information technology services; directing the center to collaborate with the agency; directing the center to provide colocation services to the Office of the Attorney General and the Department of Legal Affairs, the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, and the Department of Financial Services; directing the Department of Financial Services to continue to use the center and provide service to the Office of Financial Regulation and the Office of Insurance Regulation and host the Legislative Appropriations System/Planning and Budgeting Subsystem; providing for governance of the center; providing for a steering committee to ensure adequacy and appropriateness of services; directing the Department of Legal Affairs and the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services to move data center equipment to the center by certain dates; repealing s. 282.33, F.S., relating to objective standards for data center energy efficiency; amending s. 282.34, F.S.; revising provisions for a statewide e-mail service to meet the needs of executive branch agencies; requiring state agencies to receive e-mail services through the agency; authorizing the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, the Department of Financial Services, the Office of Financial Regulation, and the Office of Insurance Regulation to receive e-mail services from the Fletcher Shared Resource Center or the agency; amending s. 282.702, F.S.; directing the agency to develop a plan for statewide voice-over-Internet protocol services; requiring certain content in the plan; requiring the plan to be submitted to the Governor, the Cabinet, and the Legislature by a certain date; amending ss. 20.22, 110.205, 215.22, 215.322, 216.292, 282.318, 282.604, 282.703, 282.704, 282.705, 282.706, 282.707, 282.709, 282.7101, 282.711, 287.012, 287.057, 318.18, 320.0802, 328.72, 364.0135, 365.171, 365.172, 365.173, 365.174, 401.013, 401.015, 401.018, 401.021, 401.024, 401.027, 401.465, 445.011, 445.045, and 668.50, F.S., relating to a financial and cash management system task force, career service exemptions, trust funds, payment cards and electronic funds transfers, the Communications Working Capital Trust Fund, the Enterprise Information Technology Services Management Act, adoption of rules, the Communication Information Technology Services Act, procurement of commodities and contractual services, the Florida Uniform Disposition of Traffic Infractions Act, surcharge on vehicle license tax, vessel registration, broadband Internet service, the emergency communications number E911, regional emergency medical telecommunications, the Workforce Innovation Act of 2000, and the Uniform Electronic Transaction Act; conforming provisions and cross-references to changes made by the act; revising and deleting obsolete provisions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Banking and Insurance; Budget; and Rules.

**Senate Bills 1500-1548**—Not referenced.

By Senator Montford—

**SB 1550**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public education; creating s. 1003.615, F.S.; providing a short title; providing legislative intent and purpose; providing an exemption from certain statutes in chs. 1000-1013, F.S., and corresponding administrative rules for school districts; providing for specified exceptions to such exemption; authorizing the State Board of Education to enter into a performance contract with a school district to provide a statutory waiver; authorizing a school district, upon a super majority vote by the district school board, to apply for a waiver from any statute for a specified period after approval by the Commissioner of Education and the State Board of Education; requiring that an application for each waiver request be submitted to the com-



missioner and the State Board of Education; providing requirements for the application; providing that a waiver may be requested at any point during the fiscal year; requiring that the commissioner and the State Board of Education consider each waiver request in a timely manner; providing that a school district may be granted a waiver from certain statutes governing school or school district operations and policies if the commissioner and the State Board of Education agree; providing exceptions from such waiver; requiring that a school district receiving one or more waivers be in compliance with certain statutes; providing that the governing board of a school district is the duly elected district school board; requiring that each school district submit an annual report to the Governor and the Legislature by a specified date; providing requirements for the report; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education Pre-K - 12; and Budget.

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By Senator Smith—

**SB 1552**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to resisting an officer or other specified person without violence; amending s. 843.02, F.S.; providing that a finding of resistance, obstruction, or opposition must be based on factors other than mere flight from an officer or other person to whom this section applies; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; and Judiciary.

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By Senator Altman—

**SB 1554**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to state lands; amending s. 253.42, F.S.; providing for certain individuals and corporations to submit requests to the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund to exchange state-owned land for conservation easements over privately held land; providing criteria for consideration of such requests; encouraging certain operations on such lands; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; and Budget.

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By Senator Smith—

**SB 1556**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to concealed weapons and firearms; amending s. 790.33, F.S.; creating an exception to the preemption of the regulation of firearms to the Legislature to allow a state agency or local government to prohibit the possession of a concealed firearm in a publicly owned building during a sporting event conducted in the building; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Community Affairs; and Judiciary.

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By Senator Evers—

**SB 1558**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Leadership Board for Applied Research and Public Service; repealing s. 1004.58, F.S., which creates the Leadership Board for Applied Research and Public Service; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Higher Education; and Budget.

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By Senators Thrasher and Gaetz—

**SB 1560**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to ethical requirements for public officers; creating s. 112.3131, F.S.; providing a restriction on employment with state universities or Florida College System institutions for a member of the Legislature; providing an exception; requiring that a member of the Legislature surrender employment with a state university or a Florida College System institution before seeking reelection; creating s. 112.3142, F.S.; providing a legislative finding; providing that a public officer holding an economic interest in a qualified blind trust does not have a conflict of interest with matters pertaining to that economic interest; providing guidelines for communications and

management relating to the qualified blind trust, to the public officer and persons having a beneficial interest in the trust, and to the trustee; requiring that a public officer report any beneficial interest in a qualified blind trust on required financial disclosure forms; requiring that a qualified blind trust meet certain criteria; providing criteria for the trust agreement; requiring that the public officer notify the Commission on Ethics of the trust agreement within a specified time; providing criteria for the notice; amending s. 112.3144, F.S.; requiring that the Commission on Ethics review the information contained in the public disclosure of financial interests filed by public officers; requiring that the commission notify the public officer of specific insufficiencies in the disclosure under certain circumstances; requiring that, upon receipt of the notice of insufficiency, the public officer file an amended or corrected disclosure by a specified date; providing that the amended or corrected disclosure is not subject to a sufficiency review; providing that the officer is subject to an automatic fine if the amended or corrected disclosure is not filed by a specified date; providing for appeal of the fine; providing that a public officer is entitled to a sufficiency review only if the disclosure of financial interests is timely filed; authorizing the commission to delegate sufficiency review duties to its staff; amending s. 112.3145, F.S.; adding a community redevelopment agency board and persons holding the position of finance director of a county, municipality, or other political subdivision to the definition of the term “local officer” for the purpose of disclosing financial interests and clients represented before an agency; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Rules Subcommittee on Ethics and Elections; Rules; and Higher Education.

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**SR 1562**—Not referenced.

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By Senator Joyner—

**SB 1564**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending s. 943.05856, F.S.; requiring each criminal justice agency having custody of a criminal history record of a civil rights conviction which is ordered expunged to destroy or obliterate that record; requiring that the Department of Law Enforcement retain a copy of the record; providing that the record is confidential and exempt from the public records law; authorizing the person who is the subject of a civil rights conviction to lawfully deny or fail to acknowledge the arrest and conviction covered by the expunged record; providing exceptions to the confidentiality of an expunged record of a civil rights conviction; providing that a person who has an expunged record of a civil rights conviction does not commit perjury and is not otherwise liable for failing to acknowledge an expunged record; providing criminal penalties for wrongful disclosure of an expunged record of a civil rights conviction; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemption under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; providing a statement of public necessity; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Budget.

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By Senator Fasano—

**SB 1566**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to property insurance; amending s. 627.351, F.S.; revising the membership of the Market Accountability Advisory Committee of the board of governors of Citizens Property Insurance Corporation; extending the corporation’s annual rate increase cap to sinkhole coverage; amending s. 627.405, F.S.; requiring an insurer to accept a private structural appraisal under certain circumstances; amending s. 627.7011, F.S.; requiring an insurer to pay replacement cost coverage without reservation or depreciation for dwelling losses that result from a state of emergency; amending s. 627.7073, F.S.; revising provisions relating to filing and recording certain reports relating to sinkhole damage and repair with the county clerk of the court; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; and Budget.

By Senators Gaetz and Garcia—

**SB 1568**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the sale or lease of a county, district, or municipal hospital; amending s. 155.40, F.S.; defining the terms “affected community,” “fair market value,” and “interested parties”; requiring the governing board of a county, district, or municipal hospital to evaluate the possible benefits to an affected community from the sale or lease of a hospital facility owned by the board to a not-for-profit or for-profit entity within a specified time period; specifying the actions the board must take in evaluating whether to sell or lease the public hospital; requiring the board to determine whether qualified purchasers or lessees exist; specifying the factors that must be considered by the governing board before accepting a proposal to sell or lease the hospital; requiring the board to state in writing its detailed findings related to its decision to accept or reject the proposal; requiring the governing board to make public the required findings and documents and to publish a notice of the proposed transaction in one or more newspapers of general circulation in the county in which the majority of the physical assets of the hospital are located; allowing persons to submit written comments regarding the proposed transaction; providing that the sale or lease is subject to the approval of the Chief Financial Officer; requiring the governing board to file a petition with the Chief Financial Officer seeking approval of the proposed transaction within a specified time period; requiring the Chief Financial Officer or his or her designee to issue a final order approving or denying the proposed transaction; specifying the criteria upon which the Chief Financial Officer must base his or her decision; authorizing an interested party to appeal the decision of the Chief Financial Officer; providing that all costs be paid by the governing board, unless an interested party contests the action, in which case the court may assign costs equitably to the parties; providing for the distribution of proceeds from the transaction; creating s. 155.401, F.S.; providing that the purposes for which a special taxing district may appropriate funds from the sale or lease of a hospital include the promotion and support of economic growth in the district and county in which the taxing district is located and the furthering of the purposes of the taxing district; amending s. 395.3036, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Regulation; Community Affairs; and Budget.

By Senator Simmons—

**SB 1570**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the judiciary; amending s. 25.073, F.S.; providing that if a retired justice or judge is assigned to temporary duty, such assignment does not affect his or her eligibility for benefits under the Florida Retirement System; amending s. 43.291, F.S.; revising requirements for the appointment of members of judicial nominating commissions; providing that, with the exception of members selected from a list of nominees provided by the Board of Governors of The Florida Bar, a current member of a judicial nominating commission appointed by the Governor serves at the pleasure of the Governor; providing for each expired term or vacancy to be filled by appointment in the same manner as the member whose position is being filled; deleting obsolete provisions; deleting a requirement that the Executive Office of the Governor establish uniform rules of procedure consistent with the State Constitution when suspending for cause a member of a judicial nominating commission; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; and Budget.

By Senator Smith—

**SB 1572**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to businesses located in enterprise zones; amending s. 212.08, F.S.; clarifying that the tax exemption for business property purchased for use by businesses located in an enterprise zone applies to the use tax and not just the sales tax; specifying that the monetary caps applicable to the sales and use tax exemption for such business property are calculated on a per item basis; deleting a provision limiting sales and use tax refunds for such business property to amounts in excess of \$100 on purchases made within a specified time period; amending s. 212.096, F.S.; revising the definitions of the terms “eligible business,” “job,” and “new job has been created” for purposes relating to application of the enterprise zone jobs credit against the sales tax; revising requirements applicable to the making of sworn

statements and the filing of applications claiming the enterprise zone jobs credit against the sales tax; authorizing an eligible business that files a consolidated tax return to take the enterprise zone jobs credit against such business's consolidated tax liability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; and Budget.

## BILLS REFERRED TO SUBCOMMITTEE

January 11, 2012

Pursuant to Senate Rule 4.6(4), the following has been referred to the Budget Subcommittee on General Government Appropriations which will report to this standing committee within 90 days: CS for SB 938.

*Senator JD Alexander, Chair*  
Committee on Budget

January 11, 2012

Pursuant to Senate Rule 4.6(4), the following have been referred to the Budget Subcommittee on Finance and Tax which will report to this standing committee within 60 days: SB 170 and CS for SB 962.

*Senator JD Alexander, Chair*  
Committee on Budget

January 12, 2012

Pursuant to Senate Rule 4.6(4), the following has been referred to the Budget Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development Appropriations which will report to this standing committee within 60 days: SB 562.

*Senator JD Alexander, Chair*  
Committee on Budget

January 13, 2012

Pursuant to Senate Rule 4.6(4), the following has been referred to the Budget Subcommittee on Health and Human Services Appropriations which will report to this standing committee within 60 days: CS for SB 450.

*Senator JD Alexander, Chair*  
Committee on Budget

January 13, 2012

Pursuant to Senate Rule 4.6(4), the following has been referred to the Budget Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development Appropriations which will report to this standing committee within 60 days: SB 638.

*Senator JD Alexander, Chair*  
Committee on Budget

January 13, 2012

Pursuant to Senate Rule 4.6(4), the following has been referred to the Budget Subcommittee on General Government Appropriations which will report to this standing committee within 60 days: SB 852.

*Senator JD Alexander, Chair*  
Committee on Budget

January 13, 2012

Pursuant to Senate Rule 4.6(4), the following has been referred to the Budget Subcommittee on Higher Education Appropriations which will report to this standing committee within 60 days: SB 532.

*Senator JD Alexander, Chair*  
Committee on Budget

January 13, 2012

Pursuant to Senate Rule 4.6(4), the following have been referred to the Budget Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice Appropriations which will report to this standing committee within 180 days: SB 80, SB 378, SB 486, and CS for SB 504.

*Senator JD Alexander, Chair*  
Committee on Budget

January 13, 2012

Pursuant to Senate Rule 4.6(4), the following have been referred to the Budget Subcommittee on Finance and Tax which will report to this standing committee within 60 days: SB 800, SB 1256, and SB 1304.

*Senator JD Alexander, Chair*  
Committee on Budget

## COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTES

### FIRST READING

By the Committee on Judiciary; and Senators Siplin and Evers—

**CS for SB 98**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to education; authorizing district school boards to adopt resolutions that allow inspirational messages, including, but not limited to, prayers of invocation or benediction, at secondary school events; providing requirements to be included in the resolution; providing legislative intent; providing for severability; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Rules Subcommittee on Ethics and Elections; and Senators Negron, Gaetz, and Evers—

**CS for SB 206**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public meetings; amending s. 112.3215, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 286.011, F.S.; requiring that a member of the public be given an opportunity to be heard before a board or commission takes official action on an item of significant interest to the public under certain circumstances; providing exceptions; requiring that a board or commission adopt rules or policies; providing an effective date.

By the Committees on Criminal Justice; and Health Regulation; and Senator Joyner—

**CS for CS for SB 208**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to health care fraud; amending s. 456.0635, F.S.; revising the grounds under which the Department of Health or corresponding board is required to refuse to admit a candidate to an examination and refuse to issue or renew a license, certificate, or registration of a health care practitioner; providing an exception; amending s. 456.036, F.S.; providing that all persons who were denied renewal of licensure, certification, or registration under s. 456.0635(3), F.S., may regain licensure, certification, or registration only by completing the application process for initial licensure; providing an exception; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Criminal Justice; and Senator Wise—

**CS for SB 210**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to costs of prosecution, investigation, and representation; amending s. 903.286, F.S.; providing for the withholding of unpaid costs of prosecution and representation from the return of a cash bond posted on behalf of a criminal defendant; requiring a notice on bond forms of such possible withholding; amending s. 938.27, F.S.; clarifying the types of cases that are

subject to the collection and dispensing of cost payments by the clerk of the court; amending s. 985.032, F.S.; providing for assessment of costs of prosecution against a juvenile who has been adjudicated delinquent or has adjudication of delinquency withheld; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Health Regulation; and Senator Flores—

**CS for SB 376**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to radiological personnel; amending s. 468.301, F.S.; defining the term “specialty technologist” as it relates to the certification of radiological personnel; amending s. 468.302, F.S.; providing titles for persons who hold a certificate as a specialty technologist; authorizing a person holding a certificate as a specialty technologist to perform the specific duties allowed for a specialty technologist as defined by the Department of Health; requiring that the duties fall within the scope of practice of the specialty as set by the national organization for the particular advanced, post-primary, or specialty area; amending s. 468.303, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Health to adopt rules for recognizing certain national organizations that certify, license, or register specialty technologists; amending s. 468.304, F.S.; providing criteria for certification as a specialty technologist; amending s. 468.306, F.S.; providing for an applicant for certification as a specialty technologist to be certified only by endorsement rather than by examination; amending s. 468.3065, F.S.; authorizing the department to issue a certificate by endorsement to practice as a specialty technologist to an applicant who meets certain criteria; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Communications, Energy, and Public Utilities; and Senators Oelrich and Gaetz—

**CS for SB 396**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to intergovernmental cooperation; amending s. 163.01, F.S.; authorizing certain parties to an interlocal agreement to conduct public meetings and workshops by means of communications media technology; providing notice requirements; providing a definition; providing an effective date.

By the Committees on Community Affairs; and Transportation; and Senators Dean and Thrasher—

**CS for CS for SB 406**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to transportation facility designations; providing honorary designations of certain transportation facilities in specified counties; directing the Department of Transportation to erect suitable markers; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Communications, Energy, and Public Utilities; and Senator Detert—

**CS for SB 416**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the use of wireless communications devices while driving; creating s. 316.305, F.S.; creating the “Florida Ban on Texting While Driving Law”; providing legislative intent; prohibiting the operation of a motor vehicle while using a wireless communications device for certain purposes; providing a definition; providing exceptions; specifying information that is admissible as evidence of a violation; providing penalties; providing for enforcement as a secondary action; amending s. 322.27, F.S.; providing for points to be assessed against a driver’s license for the unlawful use of a wireless communications device within a school safety zone or resulting in a crash; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Community Affairs; and Senator Jones—

**CS for SB 452**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to financial responsibility for medical expenses of pretrial detainees and sentenced inmates; amending s. 901.35, F.S.; providing that the responsibility for paying the expenses of medical care, treatment, hospitalization, and transportation for a person who is ill, wounded, or otherwise injured during or as a result of an arrest for a violation of a state law or a county or municipal ordinance is the responsibility of the person receiving the medical care, treatment, hospitalization, or transportation; removing provisions establishing the order by which medical providers receive reimbursement for the expenses incurred in providing the medical services or transportation; amending s. 951.032, F.S.; setting forth the order

by which a county or municipal detention facility may seek reimbursement for the expenses incurred during the course of treating or transporting in-custody pretrial detainees or sentenced inmates; requiring that each in-custody pretrial detainee or sentenced inmate who receives medical care or other services cooperate with the county or municipal detention facility in seeking reimbursement for the expenses incurred by the facility; setting forth the order of fiscal resources from which a third-party provider of medical services may seek reimbursement for the expenses the provider incurred in providing medical care; requiring that the county or municipality pay the costs of medical services provided by a third-party provider at specified rates, under certain circumstances; requiring that each in-custody pretrial detainee or sentenced inmate who has health insurance, subscribes to a health care corporation, or receives health care benefits from any other source assign such benefits to the health care provider; defining the term “in-custody pretrial detainee or sentenced inmate”; providing that law enforcement personnel or county or municipal detention facility personnel are responsible for restricting the personal freedom of certain in-custody pretrial detainees or sentenced inmates; providing that the act does not apply to certain counties; providing that certain charter counties are not obligated to reimburse a third-party provider of medical care, treatment, hospitalization, or transportation for an in-custody pretrial detainee or sentenced inmate of a county detention facility at a rate exceeding a particular rate for certain transportation or medical costs; providing an effective date.

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By the Committee on Health Regulation; and Senator Margolis—

**CS for SB 478**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Department of Health; repealing s. 381.00325, F.S., relating to department authorization for the development of a Hepatitis A awareness program; providing an effective date.

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By the Committee on Health Regulation; and Senators Rich, Lynn, and Sobel—

**CS for SB 510**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Kidcare program; amending s. 409.8132, F.S.; revising a cross-reference; amending s. 409.814, F.S.; deleting a prohibition preventing children who are eligible for coverage under a state health benefit plan from being eligible for services provided through the subsidized program; providing an effective date.

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By the Committee on Community Affairs; and Senator Dean—

**CS for SB 514**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public safety; amending s. 401.465, F.S.; providing that a sworn state-certified law enforcement officer under certain circumstances is not included in the definition of the term “911 public safety telecommunicator”; providing that a sworn state-certified law enforcement officers is not required to complete a public safety telecommunication training program under certain circumstances in order to occasionally perform as a public safety telecommunicator; providing that the application fee and examination fee to take the examination that measures the competency and proficiency in the subject material of a public safety telecommunication program do not apply to a sworn state-certified law enforcement officer who occasionally performs as a public safety telecommunicator; requiring that a sworn state-certified law enforcement officer who fails the examination complete a public safety telecommunication training program before retaking the examination; providing an effective date.

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By the Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; and Senators Richter, Sachs, Latvala, Joyner, Bennett, and Gibson—

**CS for SB 682**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to Alzheimer’s disease; establishing the Purple Ribbon Task Force within the Department of Elderly Affairs; providing for membership; providing that members shall serve without compensation or reimbursement for per diem or travel expenses; requiring the department to provide administrative support; providing duties of the task force; authorizing the task force to hold meetings by teleconference or other electronic means, or in person without compensation or reimbursement for per diem or travel expenses; requiring the task force to submit a report in the form of an

Alzheimer’s disease state plan to the Governor and Legislature; providing for termination of the task force; providing an effective date.

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By the Committee on Community Affairs; and Senator Bennett—

**CS for SB 692**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the formation of local governments; amending s. 165.031, F.S.; deleting definitions; amending s. 165.041, F.S.; revising the deadline for submission of a feasibility study of a proposed incorporation of a municipality; revising a requirement for the content of the study; amending s. 257.171, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; providing an effective date.

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By the Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; and Senators Fasano, Haridopolos, Norman, Sachs, Gaetz, Bullard, and Garcia—

**CS for SB 694**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to adult day care centers; amending s. 429.917, F.S.; prohibiting an adult day care center from claiming to be licensed to provide specialized Alzheimer’s services under certain circumstances; creating s. 429.918, F.S.; providing a short title; providing definitions; providing for the voluntary licensure of adult day care centers that provide specialized Alzheimer’s services; requiring an adult day care center seeking such licensure to meet specified criteria; providing educational and experience requirements for the operator of an adult day care center seeking licensure to provide specialized Alzheimer’s services; providing criteria for staff training and supervision; requiring that the Department of Elderly Affairs approve the staff training; requiring the department to adopt rules; requiring that the employee be issued a certificate upon completion of the staff training; providing requirements for staff orientation; providing requirements for admission into such an adult day care center; requiring that a participant’s file include a data sheet, which shall be completed within a certain timeframe; requiring that certain information be included in the data sheet; requiring that dementia-specific services be documented in a participant’s file; requiring that a participant’s plan of care be reviewed quarterly; requiring that certain notes be entered into a participant’s file; requiring the participant to provide the adult day care center with updated medical documentation; requiring the center to give each person who enrolls as a participant, or the caregiver, a copy of the participant’s plan of care and safety information; requiring that the center coordinate and execute discharge procedures with a participant who has a documented diagnosis of Alzheimer’s disease or a dementia-related disorder and the caregiver if the participant’s enrollment in the center is involuntarily terminated; providing that the act does not prohibit an adult day care center that does not become licensed to provide specialized Alzheimer’s services from providing adult day care services to persons who have Alzheimer’s disease or other dementia-related disorders; authorizing the Department of Elderly Affairs to adopt rules; providing an effective date.

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By the Committee on Community Affairs; and Senators Wise and Gibson—

**CS for SB 698**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public retirement plans; amending ss. 185.03 and 185.08, F.S.; specifying applicability of ch. 185, F.S., to certain consolidated governments; providing that a consolidated government that has entered into an interlocal agreement to provide police protection services to a municipality within its boundaries is eligible to receive the premium taxes reported for the municipality under certain circumstances; authorizing the municipality receiving the police protection services to enact an ordinance levying the tax as provided by law; providing an effective date.

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By the Committee on Regulated Industries; and Senator Bogdanoff—

**CS for SB 710**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to gaming; amending s. 20.165, F.S.; deleting the Division of Pari-mutuel Wagering within the Department of Business and Professional Regulation; creating s. 20.318, F.S.; establishing the Department of Gaming Control; designating the State Gaming Commission as head of the department; defining terms; specifying powers and duties of the department; authorizing the department to take testimony; authorizing the department to exclude persons from certain gaming establishments; authorizing the department to collect taxes and require compliance with reporting re-

quirements for financial information; authorizing the department to conduct investigations and impose certain fines; authorizing the department to adopt rules; authorizing the department to contract with the Department of Law Enforcement for certain purposes; directing the department to contract with the Department of Revenue for tax collection and financial audit services; authorizing the Department of Revenue to assist in financial investigations of licensees and applicants for licenses; requiring the department to assist the Department of Revenue for the benefit of financially dependent children; authorizing the department to terminate certain deficient license applications and approve licenses; amending s. 120.80, F.S.; deleting certain exceptions and special requirements regarding hearings applicable to the Department of Business and Professional Regulation; creating certain exceptions and special requirements regarding hearings within the Department of Gaming Control; exempting the Destination Resort Selection Committee from specified provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act; designating ss. 551.101-551.123, F.S., as part II of ch. 551, F.S., entitled "Slot Machines"; creating ss. 551.002-551.012, F.S., as part I of ch. 551, F.S., entitled "State Gaming Commission"; creating s. 551.002, F.S.; providing definitions; creating s. 551.003, F.S.; creating the State Gaming Commission; providing for membership, terms, service, and compensation; providing for a chair and vice chair; providing that the chair is the administrative head of the commission; providing for a quorum, headquarters, and meetings; providing that the commission serves as the agency head for the department for purposes of the Administrative Procedure Act; providing that the executive director of the commission may serve as the agency head for the department for certain related purposes; creating s. 551.004, F.S.; creating the State Gaming Commission Nominating Committee; providing for membership, organization, and responsibilities of the committee; providing procedures for nomination and appointment of members of the commission; creating s. 551.006, F.S.; providing for an executive director of the department; creating s. 551.007, F.S.; providing for the department to employ law enforcement officers or, by interagency agreement, the Department of Law Enforcement to enforce laws within its jurisdiction; creating s. 551.008, F.S.; providing for a code of ethics for the commission and its employees, including restrictions following membership or employment; defining the terms "business entity" and "outside employment"; creating s. 551.009, F.S.; providing for disclosure of certain information by commission members, employees, and agents; prohibiting certain negotiations for employment by commission members, employees, and agents; prohibiting certain gifts; requiring reporting of bribe offers; creating s. 551.011, F.S.; providing procedures relating to ex parte communications; providing for the Commission on Ethics to investigate complaints, report to the Governor, and enforce assessed penalties; requiring the Commission on Ethics to provide notice to a person alleged to have participated in an ex parte communication and allow that person to present a defense; providing penalties; creating s. 551.012, F.S.; providing penalties for violation of specified provisions by a commission member, employee, or agent; creating ss. 551.301-551.331, F.S., as part III of ch. 551, F.S., entitled "Destination Resorts"; creating s. 551.301, F.S.; providing a short title; creating s. 551.302, F.S.; providing definitions; creating s. 551.304, F.S.; specifying the powers of the commission, including the power to authorize gaming at a limited number of destination resorts, conduct investigations, issue subpoenas, take enforcement actions, and create an invitation to negotiate process to evaluate applications for a resort license; authorizing the commission to collect taxes, assessments, fees, and penalties; specifying the jurisdiction and authority of the commission, the Department of Law Enforcement, and local law enforcement agencies to investigate criminal violations and enforce compliance with law; requiring the commission to revoke or suspend the license of a person who was unqualified at the time of licensure or who is no longer qualified to be licensed; creating s. 551.305, F.S.; authorizing the commission to adopt rules relating to the types of gaming authorized, requirements for the issuance, renewal, revocation, and suspension of licenses, the disclosure of financial interests, procedures to test gaming equipment, procedures to verify gaming revenues and the collection of taxes, requirements for gaming equipment, procedures relating to a facilities-based computer system, bond requirements of resort licensees, the maintenance of records, procedures to calculate the payout percentages of slot machines, security standards, the scope and conditions for investigations and inspections into the conduct of limited gaming, the seizure of gaming equipment and records without notice or a warrant, employee drug-testing programs, and the payment of costs, fines, and application fees; authorizing the commission to adopt emergency rules; exempting the rules from specified provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act; creating s. 551.306, F.S.; preempting the regulation of

limited gaming at a destination resort to the state; creating s. 551.307, F.S.; restricting the award of resort licenses by the commission; authorizing participation in gaming at a licensed resort; creating s. 551.308, F.S.; requiring the commission to develop an invitation to negotiate process to award a resort license; providing criteria and procedures; creating s. 551.309, F.S.; specifying the criteria for evaluation of applications and award of a destination resort license; specifying events that disqualify an applicant from eligibility for a resort license; defining the term "conviction"; creating s. 551.310, F.S.; providing for applications for a destination resort license; specifying the information that must be on or included with an application for a resort license; providing for collection of fingerprints; providing for application fees for a resort license to defray the costs of an investigation of the applicant; requiring the payment of application and licensing fees to be submitted with the application for a resort license; creating s. 551.311, F.S.; providing that an incomplete application may be grounds for denial of the application; requiring the executive director to notify an applicant for a resort license if the application is incomplete; authorizing the applicant to have an informal conference with the executive director to discuss an incomplete application; authorizing the executive director to grant an extension to complete an application; providing for the stay of the award of a resort license during an extension or an appeal to the commission of a finding by the executive director that an application is incomplete; creating s. 551.312, F.S.; exempting an institutional investor that is a qualifier for a resort licensee from certain application requirements under certain circumstances; requiring notice to the commission of any changes that may require a person to comply with the full application requirements; creating s. 551.313, F.S.; exempting lending institutions and underwriters from licensing requirements as a qualifier under certain circumstances; creating s. 551.3135, F.S.; authorizing limited gaming to be conducted at certain pari-mutuel facilities; requiring pari-mutuel facilities to comply with the application fees and background requirements for destination resorts; providing that limited gaming may not begin at a pari-mutuel facility until games begin at a destination resort; establishing guidelines for the gaming floor; creating s. 551.314, F.S.; specifying conditions for a licensee to maintain licensure; authorizing the department to adopt rules relating to approval of the licensee's computer system; requiring a segregated limited gaming floor; creating s. 551.315, F.S.; requiring that the licensee post a bond; authorizing the department to adopt rules relating to such bonds; creating s. 551.316, F.S.; specifying conditions for the conduct of limited gaming by a resort licensee; providing hours and days of operation and the setting of minimum and maximum wagers; requiring the department to renew the license of a resort licensee or limited gaming licensee if the licensee satisfies specified conditions; creating s. 551.317, F.S.; prohibiting certain acts; prohibiting cheating, the use of counterfeit devices, and fraud at a license facility; establishing criminal penalties for violations; creating s. 551.318, F.S.; specifying an annual fee for the renewal of a license; imposing a gross receipts tax; providing for the deposit of funds; providing for distribution of the proceeds of the gross receipts tax; providing timelines for the submission of gross receipts taxes; creating s. 551.3185, F.S.; providing that unappropriated funds in a trust fund to be deposited in the General Revenue Fund; creating s. 551.319, F.S.; providing procedures for the submission and processing of fingerprints; providing that the cost of processing the fingerprints shall be borne by a licensee or applicant; requiring a person to report to the department certain pleas and convictions for disqualifying offenses; creating s. 551.321, F.S.; requiring a person to have a supplier license in order to furnish certain goods and services to a resort licensee; providing for application; providing for license fees to be set by rule based on certain criteria; requiring fingerprinting; specifying persons who are ineligible for supplier licensure; specifying circumstances under which the department may deny or revoke a supplier license; authorizing the department to adopt rules relating to the licensing of suppliers; requiring a supplier licensee to furnish a list of gaming devices and equipment to the department, maintain records, file quarterly returns, and affix its name to the gaming equipment and supplies that it offers; requiring that the supplier licensee annually report its inventory to the department; authorizing the department to suspend, revoke, or restrict a supplier license under certain circumstances; providing that the equipment of a supplier licensee which is used in unauthorized gaming will be forfeited to the county where the equipment is found; providing criminal penalties for a person who knowingly makes a false statement on an application for a supplier license; creating s. 551.3215, F.S.; requiring a person to have a manufacturer license in order to manufacture certain devices; providing for an application, license fees, and other requirements; creating s. 551.322, F.S.; requiring a person to have an occupational license to serve

as a limited gaming employee of a resort licensee; requiring a person to apply to the department for an occupational license and pay an application fee; specifying information that an applicant must include in an application for an occupational license, including fingerprints; providing eligibility requirements; specifying grounds for the department to deny, suspend, revoke, or restrict an occupational license; authorizing training to be conducted at certain facilities; providing criminal penalties for a person who knowingly makes a false statement on an application for an occupational license; creating s. 551.323, F.S.; authorizing the executive director of the department to issue a temporary occupational or temporary supplier license under certain circumstances; creating s. 551.325, F.S.; requiring the commission to file quarterly reports with the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives; creating s. 551.327, F.S.; providing procedures for the resolution of certain disputes between a resort licensee and a patron; requiring a resort licensee to notify the department of certain disputes; requiring a resort licensee to notify a patron of the right to file a complaint with the department regarding certain disputes; authorizing the department to investigate disputes and to order a resort licensee to make a payment to a patron; providing that gaming-related disputes may be resolved only by the department and are not under the jurisdiction of state courts; creating s. 551.328, F.S.; providing for the enforcement of credit instruments; authorizing a resort licensee to accept an incomplete credit instrument and to complete incomplete credit instruments under certain circumstances; providing that existence of a mental disorder is not a defense or a valid counterclaim in an action to enforce a credit instrument; authorizing the department to adopt rules prescribing the conditions under which a credit instrument may be presented to a bank; creating s. 551.330, F.S.; requiring a resort licensee to train its employees about compulsive gambling; requiring the department to contract for direct services relating to the treatment of compulsive gambling; providing for the compulsive gambling treatment program to be funded from a regulatory fee imposed on licensees; creating s. 551.331, F.S.; authorizing a person to request that the department exclude him or her from limited gaming facilities; providing for a form and contents of the form; providing that a self-excluded person who is found on a gaming floor may be arrested and prosecuted for criminal trespass; providing that a self-excluded person holds harmless the department and licensees from claims for losses and damages under certain circumstances; requiring the person to submit identification issued by the government; requiring the department to photograph the person requesting self-exclusion; amending s. 561.20, F.S.; exempting destination resorts from certain limitations on the number of licenses to sell alcoholic beverages which may be issued; providing restrictions on a licensee issued such license; requiring an annual state license tax to be paid by a licensee for such license; providing for deposit of proceeds from the tax; preempting to the state the regulation of alcoholic beverages at destination resorts and limited gaming licensees; providing hours and days alcoholic beverages may be sold at a resort or limited gaming licensee; directing the commission to adopt rules; providing recordkeeping requirements; amending s. 817.32, F.S.; providing that the fraudulent operation of a coin-operated device includes devices that operate upon the insertion of bills, tickets, tokens, or similar objects or upon any consideration; amending s. 817.33, F.S.; providing that the prohibition from manufacturing slugs or devices with the intent to cheat coin-operated devices includes devices that operate upon the insertion of bills, tickets, tokens, or similar objects or upon any consideration; amending s. 849.15, F.S.; authorizing slot machine gaming in a resort licensee or limited gaming licensee and the transportation of slot machines pursuant to federal law; exempting slot machine licensees from prohibitions relating to coin-operated devices; amending s. 849.231, F.S.; providing that a prohibition on gambling devices does not apply to slot machine licensees and resort or limited gaming licensees as authorized under specified provisions; transferring and reassigning certain functions and responsibilities, including records, personnel, property, and unexpended balances of appropriations and other resources, from the Division of Pari-mutuel Wagering of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to the Department of Gaming Control; transferring certain trust funds from the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to the Department of Gaming Control; amending s. 550.054, F.S.; deleting provisions requiring that a permitholder complete 50 percent of the construction of a pari-mutuel facility within 12 months after voter approval of a permit; requiring that the Division of Licensure revoke a pari-mutuel permit if the permitholder has not conducted live races or games before a specified date; providing that a pari-mutuel permit may not be issued on or after a specified date; repealing s. 550.0745, F.S., relating to conversion of a pari-mutuel permit to a summer jai alai

permit; amending s. 550.09515, F.S.; deleting the ability for an es-cheated pari-mutuel thoroughbred permit to be reissued; amending s. 551.101, F.S.; authorizing slot machine gaming at certain pari-mutuel facilities following voter approval of a referendum; amending s. 551.102, F.S.; revising the definition of the term "eligible facility" as used in provisions relating to slot machines; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 551.104, F.S.; providing for licensure of certain applicants; authorizing the issuance of a slot machine license to an eligible facility outside Miami-Dade County or Broward County; providing that such license does not authorize slot machine gaming or require payment of any license fees or regulatory fees before a specified date; amending s. 551.106, F.S.; reducing the annual license fee for a slot machine license; reducing the tax rate on slot machine revenue; providing for calculating an annual pro rata share of a surcharge paid by slot machine licensees and resort licensees; amending s. 551.118, F.S.; requiring the division to contract for direct services related to compulsive and addictive gambling; requiring slot machine licensees to fund the compulsive and addictive gambling program through a fee; amending ss. 285.710, 550.002, 550.0251, 550.135, 550.24055, 550.2415, 550.2625, 550.2704, 550.902, 550.907, 551.103, 551.107, 551.108, 551.109, 551.111, 551.112, 551.117, 551.119, 551.122, 551.123, 565.02, 817.37, and 849.086, F.S.; correcting cross-references and conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 849.094, F.S.; providing for the registration of electronic devices and computer terminals used to conduct electronic game promotions; establishing requirements for electronic game promotions; requiring certification of game promotion software; prohibiting certain conduct; amending s. 849.16, F.S.; revising the definition of a slot machine to include a system or network of computers or devices; requiring that agencies claiming outstanding debts or child support or alimony obligations identify persons owning such debts or obligations to the Department of Gaming Control; requiring that the department withhold winnings of more than a specified amount from such persons; requiring that the department forward winnings to agencies claiming certain debts; requiring that the Department of Gaming Control adopt rules for collecting outstanding obligations; providing ballot language for referendums; providing that certain slot machine licensees may conduct limited gaming with a slot machine license; providing terms; providing for severability; providing effective dates.

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By the Committee on Community Affairs; and Senator Bogdanoff—

**CS for SB 734**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to tax deeds; amending s. 197.502, F.S.; authorizing tax collector reimbursement for the cost of electronic deed application services; providing an effective date.

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By the Committee on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; and Senator Altman—

**CS for SB 738**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to solid waste management facilities; amending s. 403.707, F.S.; specifying a permit term for a solid waste management facility that is designed with a leachate control system meeting the requirements of the Department of Environmental Protection; requiring that existing permit fees be adjusted to the permit term; providing applicability; specifying a permit term for a solid waste management facility that does not have a leachate control system meeting the requirements of the department under certain conditions; authorizing the department to adopt rules; providing that the department is not required to submit the rules to the Environmental Regulation Commission for approval; requiring that permit fee caps for solid waste management facilities be prorated to reflect the extended permit term; amending s. 403.709, F.S.; creating a solid waste landfill closure account within the Solid Waste Management Trust Fund to fund the closing and long-term care of solid waste facilities under certain circumstances; requiring that the department deposit funds that are reimbursed into the solid waste landfill closure account; amending s. 403.7125, F.S.; requiring that the department require by rule that the owner or operator of a solid waste management facility receiving waste after a specified date provide financial assurance for the cost of completing corrective action for violations of water quality standards; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Higher Education; and Senator Wise—

**CS for SB 754**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to educational enhancement; creating the Educational Excellence Endowment Enhancement Fund within the Department of Education's direct-support organization; requiring that the direct-support organization administer the endowment enhancement fund; providing purposes; requiring that the direct-support organization deposit revenues from gaming taxes and fees and other grants, gifts, and bequests of money into the endowment enhancement fund; requiring that the direct-support organization invest the funds and use only the interest accrued; creating the Juvenile Justice Education and Training Endowment Fund within the direct-support organization for the Department of Juvenile Justice; requiring that the direct-support organization administer the endowment fund; providing purposes; requiring that the direct-support organization deposit revenues from gaming taxes and fees and other grants, gifts, and bequests of money into the endowment fund; requiring that the direct-support organization invest the funds and use only the interest accrued; amending s. 24.121, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the allocation of revenues and the expenditure of funds deposited into the Educational Enhancement Trust Fund; requiring that the Department of Education transfer a specified percentage of the funds to the Department of Education's direct-support organization and the direct-support organization for the Department of Juvenile Justice for the purpose of funding the Educational Excellence Endowment Enhancement Fund and the Juvenile Justice Education and Training Endowment Fund; amending s. 285.710, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the Gaming Compact between the Seminole Tribe of Florida and the state; requiring that a specified percentage of the moneys paid by the Tribe be transferred from the General Revenue Fund to the Department of Education's direct-support organization and the direct-support organization for the Department of Juvenile Justice for the purpose of funding the Educational Excellence Endowment Enhancement Fund and the Juvenile Justice Education and Training Endowment Fund; amending s. 551.106, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the deposit and distribution of the slot machine revenue tax; requiring that the Chief Financial Officer transfer a specified percentage of the funds collected from the Pari-mutuel Wagering Trust Fund to the Department of Education's direct-support organization and the direct-support organization for the Department of Juvenile Justice for the purpose of funding the Educational Excellence Endowment Enhancement Fund and the Juvenile Justice Education and Training Endowment Fund; amending s. 849.086, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the taxes imposed on cardrooms; requiring that the Chief Financial Officer transfer a specified percentage of the funds to the Department of Education's direct-support organization and the direct-support organization for the Department of Juvenile Justice for the purpose of funding the Educational Excellence Endowment Enhancement Fund and the Juvenile Justice Education and Training Endowment Fund; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; and Senator Jones—

**CS for SB 758**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to beach management; amending s. 161.041, F.S.; specifying that demonstration to the Department of Environmental Protection of the adequacy of a project's design and construction is supported by certain evidence; authorizing the department to issue permits for an incidental take authorization under certain circumstances; requiring the department to adopt certain rules involving the excavation and placement of sediment; requiring the Department of Environmental Protection to justify items listed in a request for additional information; providing legislative intent; exempting certain previously permitted projects from detailed review; requiring that the department amend certain rules to streamline the permitting process for certain projects and activities; providing for the permit life of joint coastal permits; amending s. 161.101, F.S.; requiring the department to maintain certain beach management project information on its website; defining the term "significant change"; requiring the department to notify the Governor's Office and the Legislature concerning any significant changes in project funding levels; amending s. 403.813, F.S.; providing a permit exemption for certain specified exploratory activities relating to beach restoration and nourishment projects and inlet management activities; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; and Senator Dean—

**CS for SB 820**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems; amending s. 381.0065, F.S.; deleting legislative intent; defining the term "bedroom"; conforming cross-references; providing for any permit issued and approved by the Department of Health for the installation, modification, or repair of an onsite sewage treatment and disposal system to transfer with the title of the property; providing circumstances in which an onsite sewage treatment and disposal system is not considered abandoned; providing for the validity of an onsite sewage treatment and disposal system permit if rules change before final approval of the constructed system; providing that a system modification, replacement, or upgrade is not required unless a bedroom is added to a single-family home; deleting provisions requiring the department to administer an evaluation and assessment program of onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems and requiring property owners to have such systems evaluated at least once every 5 years; deleting obsolete provisions; creating s. 381.00651, F.S.; requiring a county or municipality containing a first magnitude spring to adopt by ordinance, under certain circumstances, the program for the periodic evaluation and assessment of onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems; requiring the county or municipality to notify the Secretary of State of the ordinance; authorizing a county or municipality, in specified circumstances, to opt out by a majority plus one vote of certain requirements by a specified date; authorizing a county or municipality to adopt or repeal, after a specified date, an ordinance creating an evaluation and assessment program, subject to notification of the Secretary of State; providing criteria for evaluations, qualified contractors, and repair of systems; providing for certain procedures and exemptions in special circumstances; defining the term "system failure"; requiring that certain procedures be used for conducting tank and drainfield evaluations; providing for certain procedures in special circumstances; providing for assessment procedures; providing requirements for county health departments; requiring the county or municipality to develop a system for tracking the evaluations; providing criteria; requiring counties and municipalities to notify the Secretary of Environmental Protection and the Department of Health that an evaluation program ordinance is adopted; requiring the Department of Environmental Protection to notify those counties or municipalities of the use of, and access to, certain state and federal program funds and to provide certain guidance and technical assistance upon request; prohibiting the adoption of certain rules by the Department of Health; providing for applicability; repealing s. 381.00656, F.S., relating to a grant program for the repair of onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems; amending s. 381.0066, F.S.; lowering the fees imposed by the department for certain permits; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Military Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security; and Senators Bennett, Detert, Jones, Gaetz, and Fasano—

**CS for SB 922**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to current and former military personnel; creating s. 220.1893, F.S.; providing a tax credit program for eligible business that hire certain national guard members; providing definitions; providing credits against specified taxes for certified businesses; providing guidelines for becoming a certified business; requiring the Department of Economic Opportunity to certify qualified businesses; providing criteria for the certification; limiting the total amount of tax credits; providing for certain tax credits to be carried forward; providing penalties for fraudulent claims; authorizing the Department of Economic Opportunity and the Department of Revenue to adopt rules; providing for future expiration of the tax credit program; amending s. 265.003, F.S.; creating the Florida Veterans' Hall of Fame Council; providing for membership and terms of appointment; providing for the appointment of a chair; providing for meetings, a quorum, and voting; providing for reimbursement of travel expenses; providing for the removal of an appointee; providing for the Florida Veterans' Hall of Fame Council rather than the Department of Veterans' Affairs to select nominees for induction into the Florida Veterans' Hall of Fame and to establish the criteria for selection; requiring that the Governor and Cabinet annually select a specified number of nominees for induction; amending s. 295.187, F.S.; revising legislative intent; renaming and revising the Florida Service-Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise Opportunity Act to expand the vendor preference in state contracting to include certain businesses owned and operated by wartime veterans or veterans of a period of war; amending s. 320.089, F.S.; providing for the



issuance of a Combat Infantry Badge license plate; providing qualifications and requirements for the plate; providing for the use of proceeds from the sale of the plate; providing for issuance of a Vietnam War Veterans' license plate; providing qualifications and requirements for the plate; creating s. 683.146, F.S.; designating August 7 of each year as "Purple Heart Day"; providing a short title; creating s. 921.00242, F.S.; providing that a person who alleges that he or she committed a criminal offense as a result of posttraumatic stress disorder, traumatic brain injury, substance use disorder, or psychological problems stemming from service in a combat theater in the United States military may have a hearing on that issue before sentencing; providing that a defendant who is eligible for probation or community control may be placed in a treatment program in certain circumstances; providing for sentence credit for a defendant placed in treatment who would have otherwise been incarcerated; providing a preference for treatment programs that have histories of successfully treating such combat veterans; amending s. 948.08, F.S.; creating a pretrial veterans' treatment intervention program; providing requirements for a defendant to be voluntarily admitted to the pretrial program; providing certain exceptions to such admission; providing for the disposition of pending charges following a defendant's completion of the pretrial intervention program; providing for the charges to be expunged under certain circumstances; amending s. 948.16, F.S.; creating a misdemeanor pretrial veterans' treatment intervention program; providing requirements for voluntary admission to the misdemeanor pretrial program; providing for the misdemeanor charges to be expunged under certain circumstances; exempting treatment services provided by the Department of Veterans' Affairs or the United States Department of Veterans Affairs from certain contract requirements; amending s. 1003.05, F.S.; requiring that a school board provide an option to school-aged dependents of military personnel to choose certain schools if the student is reassigned as a result of school rezoning; creating s. 1004.075, F.S.; requiring certain Florida College System institutions and state universities to provide priority course registration for veterans; providing eligibility requirements; creating s. 1005.09, F.S.; encouraging certain independent postsecondary educational institutions to provide priority course registration for veterans; amending s. 1009.21, F.S.; providing that veterans of the Armed Services of the United States, including reserve components thereof, who attend the physical location of a public college, university, or institution of higher learning within the state are residents for tuition purposes; requiring that any veteran who meets specified criteria be admitted to any Florida College System institution or state university of the veteran's choice; providing effective dates.

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By the Committees on Reapportionment; and Reapportionment—

**CS for SB 1174**—A bill to be entitled An act establishing the congressional districts of the state; amending s. 8.0001, F.S.; revising definitions; amending s. 8.0002, F.S.; redistricting the state's congressional districts in accordance with the United States Decennial Census of 2010 (plan S000C9006); amending s. 8.0111, F.S., relating to the inclusion of unlisted territory in contiguous districts; updating a reference; reenacting s. 8.031, F.S., which provides for the election of representatives to the United States House of Representatives; amending s. 8.0611, F.S.; providing for severability; amending s. 8.07, F.S.; providing for applicability; providing effective dates.

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By the Committees on Reapportionment; and Reapportionment—

**CS for SJR 1176**—A joint resolution of apportionment; providing for the apportionment of the House of Representatives and the Senate (plans \_\_\_\_\_ and S000S9008); adopting the United States Decennial Census of 2010 for use in such apportionment; providing for the inclusion of omitted areas; providing contiguity for areas specified for inclusion in one district which are noncontiguous; specifying that the apportioned districts constitute the legislative districts of the state; providing for severability of invalid portions; providing for application beginning in 2012.

## REFERENCE CHANGES PURSUANT TO RULE 4.7(2)

By the Committee on Commerce and Tourism; and Senators Smith, Montford, and Evers—

**CS for SB 540**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to secondhand dealers and secondary metals recyclers; amending s. 538.03, F.S.; requiring that a secondary metals recycler conform to the requirements for a secondhand dealer; defining the term "appropriate law enforcement official"; deleting exemptions from regulation as a secondhand dealer which relate to flea market transactions and auction businesses; conforming terminology; amending s. 538.04, F.S., relating to recordkeeping requirements; conforming terminology and clarifying provisions; amending s. 538.18, F.S.; revising and providing definitions; amending s. 319.30, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 538.19, F.S.; revising requirements for the types of information that secondary metals recyclers must obtain and maintain regarding purchase transactions, including requirements for the maintenance and transmission of electronic records of such transactions; revising the period required for secondary metals recyclers to maintain certain information regarding purchase transactions involving regulated metals property; limiting the liability of secondary metals recyclers for the conversion of motor vehicles to scrap metal under certain circumstances; amending s. 538.235, F.S.; revising requirements for payments made by secondary metals recyclers to sellers of regulated metals property to prohibit certain cash transactions; providing penalties; providing methods of payment for restricted regulated metals property; requiring that purchases of certain property be made by check or by electronic payment; providing procedures; amending s. 538.26, F.S.; prohibiting secondary metals recyclers from purchasing regulated metals property, restricted regulated metals property, or ferrous metals during specified times or from certain locations; prohibiting the purchase of specified restricted regulated metals property without obtaining certain proof of the seller's ownership and authorization to sell the property; providing penalties; creating s. 538.28, F.S.; preempting to the state the regulation of secondary metals recyclers and purchase transactions involving regulated metals property; exempting county and municipal ordinances and regulations enacted before March 1, 2012, from preemption; reenacting and amending s. 538.23(1)(a), F.S., relating to violations and penalties, to incorporate the amendments made by this act to ss. 538.19 and 538.235, F.S., in references thereto; correcting a cross-reference; amending s. 812.145, F.S.; providing that a person who assists in the taking of certain metals commits a felony of the first degree; limiting the liability of a public or private owner of metal property for injuries occurring during the theft or attempted theft of metal property and for injuries occurring as the result of the theft or attempted theft; providing that no additional duty of care is imposed on the owner of metal property; providing an effective date.

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—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Criminal Justice; and Budget.

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By the Committee on Military Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security; and Senators Bennett, Detert, Jones, Gaetz, and Fasano—

**CS for SB 922**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to current and former military personnel; creating s. 220.1893, F.S.; providing a tax credit program for eligible business that hire certain national guard members; providing definitions; providing credits against specified taxes for certified businesses; providing guidelines for becoming a certified business; requiring the Department of Economic Opportunity to certify qualified businesses; providing criteria for the certification; limiting the total amount of tax credits; providing for certain tax credits to be carried forward; providing penalties for fraudulent claims; authorizing the Department of Economic Opportunity and the Department of Revenue to adopt rules; providing for future expiration of the tax credit program; amending s. 265.003, F.S.; creating the Florida Veterans' Hall of Fame Council; providing for membership and terms of appointment; providing for the appointment of a chair; providing for meetings, a quorum, and voting; providing for reimbursement of travel expenses; providing for the removal of an appointee; providing for the Florida Veterans' Hall of Fame Council rather than the Department of Veterans' Affairs to select nominees for induction into the Florida Veterans' Hall of Fame and to establish the criteria for selection; requiring that the Governor and Cabinet annually select a specified number of nominees for induction; amending s. 295.187, F.S.; revising legislative intent; renaming and re-



vising the Florida Service-Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise Opportunity Act to expand the vendor preference in state contracting to include certain businesses owned and operated by wartime veterans or veterans of a period of war; amending s. 320.089, F.S.; providing for the issuance of a Combat Infantry Badge license plate; providing qualifications and requirements for the plate; providing for the use of proceeds from the sale of the plate; providing for issuance of a Vietnam War Veterans' license plate; providing qualifications and requirements for the plate; creating s. 683.146, F.S.; designating August 7 of each year as "Purple Heart Day"; providing a short title; creating s. 921.00242, F.S.; providing that a person who alleges that he or she committed a criminal offense as a result of posttraumatic stress disorder, traumatic brain injury, substance use disorder, or psychological problems stemming from service in a combat theater in the United States military may have a hearing on that issue before sentencing; providing that a defendant who is eligible for probation or community control may be placed in a treatment program in certain circumstances; providing for sentence credit for a defendant placed in treatment who would have otherwise been incarcerated; providing a preference for treatment programs that have histories of successfully treating such combat veterans; amending s. 948.08, F.S.; creating a pretrial veterans' treatment intervention program; providing requirements for a defendant to be voluntarily admitted to the pretrial program; providing certain exceptions to such admission; providing for the disposition of pending charges following a defendant's completion of the pretrial intervention program; providing for the charges to be expunged under certain circumstances; amending s. 948.16, F.S.; creating a misdemeanor pretrial veterans' treatment intervention program; providing requirements for voluntary admission to the misdemeanor pretrial program; providing for the misdemeanor charges to be expunged under certain circumstances; exempting treatment services provided by the Department of Veterans' Affairs or the United States Department of Veterans Affairs from certain contract requirements; amending s. 1003.05, F.S.; requiring that a school board provide an option to school-aged dependents of military personnel to choose certain schools if the student is reassigned as a result of school

rezoning; creating s. 1004.075, F.S.; requiring certain Florida College System institutions and state universities to provide priority course registration for veterans; providing eligibility requirements; creating s. 1005.09, F.S.; encouraging certain independent postsecondary educational institutions to provide priority course registration for veterans; amending s. 1009.21, F.S.; providing that veterans of the Armed Services of the United States, including reserve components thereof, who attend the physical location of a public college, university, or institution of higher learning within the state are residents for tuition purposes; requiring that any veteran who meets specified criteria be admitted to any Florida College System institution or state university of the veteran's choice; providing effective dates.

—was referred to the Committee on Criminal Justice.

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#### COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP CHANGE

The President announced the appointment of Senator Lynn to the Committee on Rules.

#### CO-INTRODUCERS

Senators Altman—SB 342, SB 1440; Bennett—SB 342, SB 1150, SB 1192; Bullard—SB 434, SB 524; Dean—SB 1648, SB 1650; Detert—SB 342; Dockery—SB 342, SB 1332; Evers—SB 234, SB 290, CS for SB 804, SB 1638; Fasano—SB 342; Flores—SB 1440; Gaetz—CS for SB 604, SB 1348; Garcia—SB 694, SB 916, SB 1516; Gibson—SB 342, SB 682; Latvala—SB 342, SR 1326; Lynn—CS for SB 540; Margolis—SB 342, CS for SB 416, SB 924; Oelrich—CS for SB 514; Rich—SB 342, SB 924; Siplin—SB 342; Smith—SB 80; Sobel—SB 654; Storms—SB 144, SB 536, SB 950; Thrasher—CS for SB 406

Senator Garcia was recorded as co-prime introducer of SB 1568.